

# IslingtonNow

Issue 24 February 2009

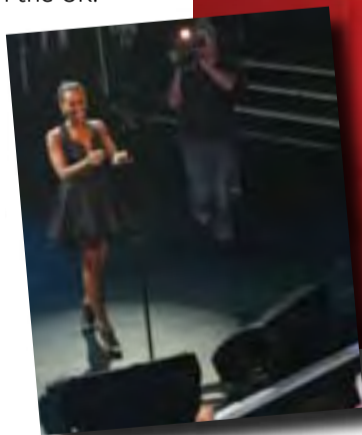
your local magazine from Islington Council

## Islington's Angel

Alexandra Burke is now a household name, and her face has become as recognisable as the powerful voice that helped her see off extensive competition to win Britain's biggest singing contest. Islington girl Alex wowed the nation by winning ITV's popular talent show 'X Factor'.

As if that weren't enough, Alexandra's debut single – a version of Leonard Cohen's 'Hallelujah' – soared straight to number one, breaking records on the way. The fast-selling single by a female artist, it claimed the coveted Christmas number one spot, staying there for three weeks. In fact, Alexandra is the first British female solo artist to sell a million copies of a single in the UK.

A former pupil of Copenhagen Primary School, Alexandra recently revisited her old stamping ground to tell an audience of 150 pupils not to give up on their dreams. "When I was little my granddad told me never to stop believing in myself, and I've never forgotten that," she told us. To the children, she said: "Whatever you want to be – whether that's a footballer, actress or singer – follow your dreams. And remember, keep smiling!"



Copenhagen Primary School's Laura Berisha, 10, gets up close and personal with 'X Factor' winner Alexandra Burke

Islington Council Leader, James Kempton, couldn't be prouder of the borough's brand new star. "Alexandra is totally what Islington is all about and an inspiration to young people across the borough," he said. "I certainly voted for her!" Alexandra also attended

Elizabeth Garrett Anderson School on Penton Street, and speaks highly of the teachers there, paying particular tribute to her singing coach Sarah Beagley. And for all her success, she remains determined to keep her feet firmly on the ground. "When I was 16 I thought I knew everything, but I've learnt

so much in the past few years," the 20-year-old admitted. "Now I just want to do the best I can for a better life for me and my family. It's also incredible to have so much support from my hometown. And if other Islington young people look at me and think, 'if she can do it, so can I', then that's the best thing yet."

### INSIDE

#### 2 LEADER'S COLUMN AND LETTERS

Keeping the cost of heating your home to a minimum

#### 3 NEWS

A makeover for Whitecross Street

#### 4 ENVIRONMENT

The borough's businesses unite to recycle food waste



#### 6 SAFER

Getting tough on anti-social behaviour

#### 7 YOUNG ISLINGTON

The challenges and rewards of fostering teenagers

#### 8 LOCAL LIFE

A look at Islington's vibrant art scene

#### 10 IN FOCUS

A week in the life of a social worker

#### 12 LIFESTYLE

Looking after your heart this Valentine's Day

#### 13 YOUR VIEWS

Your feedback on housing and this year's budget

#### 14 OUT AND ABOUT

The best of the borough's events this February



**COUNCILLOR JAMES KEMPTON,  
LEADER OF THE COUNCIL,  
ANSWERS YOUR LETTERS...**

**LEADER'S COLUMN**



It is no secret that times are tough financially at the moment. While you are all trying to look after your own money, we at the council are doing all we can to root out waste so the council tax you pay goes as far as possible – making sure we are spending on the right things has never been more important. So in November we invited all residents to take part in a budget consultation to tell us what the borough's priorities should be for 2009. We had a tremendous response, with a record number of IslingtonNow readers getting back to us. So firstly a huge thank you to everyone who got involved – your feedback is extremely valuable.

Many of you voiced concerns about crime and anti-social behaviour, and this is a problem we are determined to tackle. For full details of the measures we have put in place and information on what to do if you don't feel safe, turn to page 6. Other residents told us they agreed with making improving educational standards a high priority. Over the past few years the borough has seen huge improvements in this area, with official government figures confirming that over 56% of Islington students gained five or more A\*-C GCSE passes last year. This is a fantastic improvement and double what

they were just a few years ago. To continue this upward trend we are doing everything we can to enhance pupils' learning environment. As part of the Building Schools for the Future programme every Islington secondary school is being rebuilt or refurbished, including getting fantastic state-of-the-art IT facilities. Work is already underway at Highbury Grove, St Aloysius and Holloway schools, as well as the new City of London Academy on Islington Green.

A third issue raised by a large number of residents was the need for clean streets. January saw the start of a new street sweeping regime, with every street being cleaned at least three times a week and extra cleaning now happening at weekends too. But following on from your feedback we intend to invest even more as part of the year's budget.

We will do our utmost to achieve all of this while sticking to our value for money pledge to keep council tax low compared with neighbouring boroughs.

**Send your letters to:**

Cllr James Kempton, Leader of Islington Council, IslingtonNow, Town Hall, Upper Street, London N1 2UD  
Email: [islingtonnow@islington.gov.uk](mailto:islingtonnow@islington.gov.uk)  
Phone: 020 7527 3416

**If you would like IslingtonNow in large print, audiotape, or another format, please call 020 7527 3416**

**IslingtonNow is printed on 100% recycled paper.**

**Please use your green box to recycle IslingtonNow when you have finished with it.**

**Contact us:**

IslingtonNow, Town Hall, Upper Street, London N1 2UD  
Email: [islingtonnow@islington.gov.uk](mailto:islingtonnow@islington.gov.uk) Phone: 020 7527 3416

**Cleaner streets**

I always read your letters column in IslingtonNow and wondered if you could help.

I live on Corsica Street and am forever being confronted by men using the street as a public lavatory. Is there any way to stop this?

Not only is this unsavoury but after dark I feel worried about walking down the street as I never know where someone might be hiding. I'm not sure if the perpetrators are clients from the local pubs or whether the street simply looks appealing to anyone walking by in need of relief. Is there any chance of getting a pop up urinal in the area similar to those in Shepherd's Bush for men to use at night? Or is there anything else you could suggest?

Many thanks  
Name and address withheld.

I'm afraid you are not alone in experiencing this unpleasant problem. We are on the case. In the meantime, I have asked our pavement cleaning team to pay particular attention to your area so it should have been thoroughly cleaned.

Please let me know if this has not been done.

We are piloting portable urinals in the Farringdon area where there are high numbers of people out at night. The amount of urine collected – sometimes up to ten gallons per weekend – leaves us in little doubt as to the scale of the problem. As a result, we are looking at the possibility of providing new public conveniences in areas of greatest need. This will definitely include one in the vicinity of Highbury Corner. These new structures – or 'urilifts' as they are called – have a collapsible structure, so they disappear into the ground during the day. They can be used by up to three people at once and are self-cleaning, hygienic and light up at night to make them visible. We hope their presence puts an end to the problem.

**Insulation matters**

Over the past year, the finances of the average citizen have been hit from all sides. Along with climate change and the recent cold weather, these issues mean we are all concentrating on saving money and reducing our carbon footprint.

A quick, easy and relatively cheap way to do this is to ensure our homes are properly insulated. This is all well and good, but what about those of us who are council tenants?

My estate was built around 1970 using cavity-wall construction. There is, however, no cavity-wall insulation. As I live in a block, I cannot insulate my flat alone; this is a decision that has to be made by the council for the whole block. But, as the council doesn't have to pay the fuel bills, it has no direct incentive to pay for this to be done over other jobs around the estate.

What is Islington's policy on this matter? Is insulation improvement among the Decent Homes works? If not, has Islington got its own plans?  
Yours sincerely  
N.Barber  
Williamson St Estate

We are working with Homes for Islington (HFI) and Partners for Improvement in Islington to increase the energy efficiency of our residents' homes in a number of ways. These measures include providing roof or cavity wall insulation to over 2,700 homes, with funding available for a further 3,600.

You mention the lack of cavity wall insulation at your estate. All but one of the blocks – the one that is over three storeys high – will be surveyed under the insulation programme. If the block does not have cavity wall insulation, but it is possible to install it, we will do so. Unfortunately, the conditions of grants used to pay for the scheme will allow only the cost of insulation to be funded and not additional equipment such as scaffolding. The one block in question will be considered for future schemes as and when funding can be accessed.

For residents not on estates, a wide range of energy efficiency grants are available. For more information on this please contact the Green Living Centre. They can put you in touch with a new Energy Doctor scheme, a bespoke service that allows residents to reduce their fuel bills.



**Out and about...**

February is Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Trans History (LGBT) Month and the national theme this year is 'Youth and Education'. There is a range of exciting and inspiring events in Islington throughout the month to celebrate the achievements and history of the LGBT community. One of the highlights is an art exhibition that features work from the organisation PACE (two members pictured here). For more details of the events, go to page 15.

**Tell us what you think of IslingtonNow – contact us at the above address or drop us an email**

Please include your full address on all correspondence. Anonymous letters cannot be published, but names and addresses can be withheld on request. We cannot guarantee to publish all letters received, and we reserve the right to edit letters for both length and content.

# Health Stars shine

The stars of NHS Islington were announced at a recent event, which recognises outstanding staff members. Paul Whitehouse, comedian and star of the BBC's 'The Fast Show', presented trophies and certificates at the annual Health Stars awards ceremony.

Every year patients, members of the public and NHS staff in Islington are asked to nominate local health workers who have gone above and beyond the call of duty.

A judging panel has the difficult task of determining the winners and runners up in each of the five award categories.

Rachel Tyndall, Chief Executive of NHS Islington, said of the awards: "We received a large number of nominations, so thank you to all the members of the public



who told us which healthcare workers have really made a difference over the last year."

**Comedian Paul Whitehouse celebrates with Health Improvement Award winner Gillian Seiles**

## THE 2008 HEALTH STAR AWARD WINNERS ARE:

- Clinical Team of the Year: The Podiatry Team, Northern Health Centre
- Non Clinical Team of the Year: Child Health Information Team
- Health Improvement: Gillian Seiles, Centre Manager of Pulse N7
- Improving Patient Experience: Dr David Davies, Amwell Practice
- Outstanding Contribution: Carol Forsdyke, patient and Chair of the Breathe Easy Islington group.

## IN BRIEF

### New Year's honours

Congratulations to everyone in Islington who received New Year's honours, including Cllr Meral Ece; NHS Islington worker, Yvonne Miller; Frank McLoughlin, Principal of City and Islington College; Dave Ryan, Head Coach at the Times Amateur Boxing Club; and architect Harley Sherlock among others.

### Help us tackle benefit thieves

Islington Council's 'four-star' Housing Benefit and Council Tax service has nearly 31,000 claimants a year – the vast majority of whom are genuine. To make sure people don't abuse the system, we have successful measures to tackle benefit thieves. Last year the council discovered 138 cases of Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit fraud, taking 18 cases to court – and winning every one. In addition, 120 penalties and cautions were issued.

Islington Council is supporting a campaign by the Department of Work and Pensions to target benefit thieves. If you suspect someone is making a claim they are not entitled to, please call in confidence on 0800 073 1449.

### Stop smoking, save cash

How much money can smokers save if they stop? Up to £2,000 per year if they smoke 20 cigarettes a day. This is a significant amount of cash, especially as pockets are feeling the pinch of the economic downturn. What would you spend the money on?

Now is a good time to start the 'countdown to quitting' as NHS Islington's No Smoking Day takes place next month on Wednesday 11 March. If you're keen to take the first step towards quitting, you can get free help and advice from Islington's dedicated Stop Smoking Service. Call free on 0800 093 9030 or visit [www.smokefreeislington.nhs.uk](http://www.smokefreeislington.nhs.uk) and find out how NHS Islington's Stop Smoking Service can improve your health – and your wealth.

## Are drugs affecting your life?

The Annexe, Islington's drug and alcohol service for young people, is launching a brand new text number to make it easier for young people to get help.

If you are an Islington resident aged eight to 18 and are worried about drug and alcohol use – either your own, or that of your friends or family, then we can help.

We offer confidential advice and drop-in services. Just text "drugs" and your first name

to 60777 and someone from the Annexe will call you back. The service is confidential and the text costs your standard network rate.

You can also call 020 7527 5099 for information, advice or to make an appointment to come in and see us.



## Action taken over eyesore buildings

A row of rundown buildings in a well-known Islington street faces a Compulsory Purchase Order to bring them back into use.

The nine empty properties at 141-157 Whitecross Street, EC1, are in a road that is home to one of London's oldest street markets.

Islington Council officers have been in contact with the buildings' owner about how to return them to use, but efforts have so far proved unsuccessful.

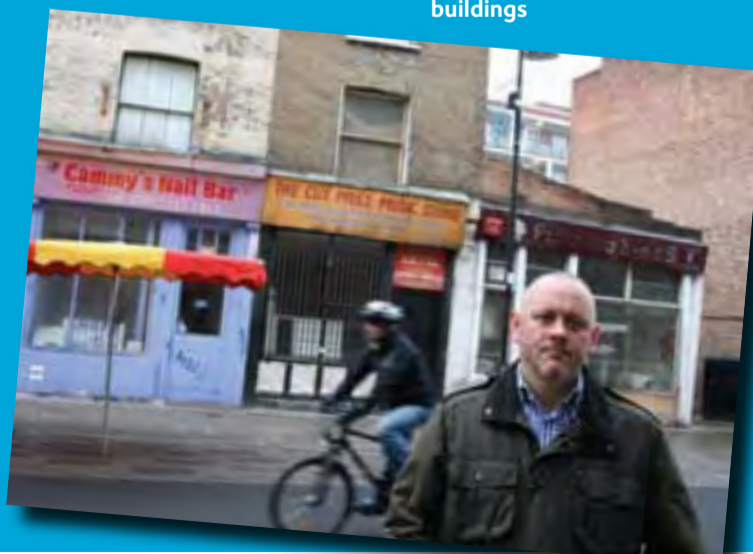
Now Islington Council's executive is being asked to use the council's compulsory purchase powers to bring them back into use, possibly as

social housing and shops.

Cllr Terry Stacy, Islington Council's Executive Member for Public Protection, said: "These empty buildings are a blight for neighbours and a waste of shop space and valuable

housing, which Islington is crying out for. The council is determined to take action to sort these buildings out for residents."

Cllr Terry Stacy says the council is determined to make good use of the unsightly buildings



## Waste not want not

Increasing recycling is a priority for the council, so we have launched a food waste recycling pilot for businesses so even less of our leftovers end up at landfill.

We already make it easy for residents of street properties to recycle food waste by providing containers for raw and cooked meat and fish scraps, eggshells and other leftovers. The contents are then collected and transformed into compost to be used on farms and in Islington's green spaces. However, even with all this good work you're doing to reduce the leftovers going into landfill, much of the food thrown away comes from the wealth of cafes, restaurants,

bars and takeaways in Islington. So this month, the council is launching a pilot scheme to collect from all the borough's businesses that generate this kind of food waste.

### Why bother?

If you work for a business or organisation in Islington that works with food, advise your employer to sign up to the food waste service. In doing so, you will be reducing the amount of waste sent to landfill, saving refuse costs in the process.



Head Chef Adam Hilliard (left) and Restaurant Manager Matt Segal are keen for Frederick's to get involved in the food waste scheme

You will also be assisting in the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and improving your environment while enhancing your reputation. Plus, it costs you nothing.

### Get involved

Once you've decided to get on board, contact the council and

we will provide you with free biodegradable bags, kitchen caddies and wheeled bins. Food waste will then be picked up from outside your premises up to six times a week. Once collected, it will be taken to a digestion plant to be converted into renewable energy and

bio-fertiliser. The trial will run for six months and help us develop convenient and cost-effective services to make it easier for you to recycle.

**➔ If you want to get involved, contact the team on 020 7527 1887 or email [business.waste@islington.gov.uk](mailto:business.waste@islington.gov.uk)**

www.islington.gov.uk 

## There's not just one Angel in Islington

Fostering a teenager can be challenging but also very rewarding as you guide them on their journey to adulthood.

**0800 073 0428**  
or email us at [fostering@islington.gov.uk](mailto:fostering@islington.gov.uk) [www.islington.gov.uk/fostering](http://www.islington.gov.uk/fostering)



## A road trip through Holloway's history

Local school children have been enjoying the hidden history and heritage of Holloway Road, thanks to funding from the council's Conservation team and English Heritage.

Year 5 pupils from Grafton School took part in the project, which encouraged them to delve into the area's past. They walked along the road to look more closely at their local environment and see beyond the hustle and bustle, paying particular attention to the great variety of architecture and clues to the road's past.

Back in the classroom they looked at old maps and pictures of the road, learning about its development from a prehistoric swamp filled with crocodiles to a muddy rural track for herding cattle. Since then it has been a haunt of infamous highwayman Dick Turpin and a bustling Victorian street with horse-drawn buses. It endured bombings in World War II and in more recent times has seen much development, including the modern Emirates Stadium and the impressive London Metropolitan University graduate building.

The class then produced an illustrated timeline of the road's history, before identifying their favourite buildings and special treasures of Holloway Road. Using clay, felt and foil, they recreated these landmarks as individual art pieces. The end of the project, which was put together by local architect Claire Hegarty, was marked with a special class assembly where the children dressed up as characters from the road's past and acted out its history.

**Reliving days gone by (l-r): Joe Boyle, Claire Hegarty, Katie Power, Dajana Balla, Ellie Cook**



16 sports courts and pitches across the borough

60 children's play areas mean there's always somewhere to have fun

5

## 150 residents give it up for the environment

Over 150 residents recently gave up their parking permits as part of the council's ongoing drive to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. They took up the offer of a £200 voucher to spend on Streetcar or a new bike in return for giving up their permit, with almost 80% of them subsequently giving up their cars too.

The move was financed by the Climate Change Fund, which supports renewable energy and transport projects that

reduce carbon dioxide emissions throughout the borough. As a result, an impressive 116 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> per year have been saved.

Highbury resident Niaz Jaumdally sold his Honda Concerto because of the scheme. The 35-year-old, who now cycles to work at London Bridge, said: "The car was just costing too much to run, including £500 for insurance – which is ridiculous when it's just sitting outside in the road.

"I was already cycling as a hobby so I decided to go one step further by getting rid of the car, buying a new bike with a £200 voucher, and cycling to work.

"Giving up your car is a bold move – but I've never looked back."

To cash in your parking permit, visit [www.islington.gov.uk](http://www.islington.gov.uk) and complete an application form. All forms must be returned by the end of March 2009 to be valid.



Cllr Greg Foxsmith poses next to a Streetcar vehicle with the State of the Environment Report

## Streetcar beats 5,000 barrier

Islington's Streetcar service is a great success. In fact, it is now the largest scheme of its kind in the UK, with more than 5,000 members and over 130 vehicles and parking bays.

Streetcar is a local car club and very easy to use. You can rent a car (usually a Volkswagen Golf) by the hour, day, week or month and simply collect it from a parking bay in the area. It's like having your own car but without the cost or the hassle, as all you pay is £4.95 per hour – which covers all costs including local petrol.

Streetcar member Nadine Fragosa says of the scheme:

"It's just so convenient. I now have five parking bays a few minutes' walk from my house. Streetcar tells me where the closest car is so that's really simple, and it's so great not having to worry about a space to park in, permits, insurance, cleaning and servicing.

"Any questions or problems with the car are dealt with quickly and the system to refuel is a good one – when

the tank is a quarter full, you simply fill the car using the petrol card – and most Streetcar members are courteous and leave the car refuelled.

"I don't have to worry about the initial outlay of buying a car, which is great as I wouldn't use it often enough to warrant buying one. So for people like me, the Streetcar scheme really is a great idea."



Streetcar member Nadine Fragosa gets behind the wheel

### Combat the credit crunch



The new **Energy Doctor Service** gives bespoke advice to help you save money and stay green. Ask about energy saving in your home, fuel bills, switching suppliers or even grants. The Energy Doctor is visiting day care centres, schools and libraries. The next surgery will take place on 7 February at North Central London Mosque.

For more information on this event or the service as a whole, call **0800 953 1221** or visit [www.islington.gov.uk/environment](http://www.islington.gov.uk/environment)

Streetcar not only helps the environment – it could also save you money!

- On average, costs based on two trips per week in a VW Golf from Streetcar would save £1,902 per year compared with the costs incurred driving a private vehicle.

- Former car owners increased their use of non-car transport modes

- by 40% after joining.
- Streetcar is a Carbon Neutral company, so all CO<sub>2</sub> produced by the fleet is offset by environmental projects.
- Streetcar is saving CO<sub>2</sub> emissions at a rate of 500 tonnes per year.

➔ Visit [www.islington.gov.uk/transport](http://www.islington.gov.uk/transport) to find out more.

## Standing up to bad behaviour

Islington Council – in partnership with the police – can take a variety of measures against anti-social behaviour. But we are reliant on information from you, so if you see or are aware of any anti-social behaviour or crime

in your area, please let us know.

This information allows us to start taking action, which can come in a range of forms. An Anti-Social Behaviour Order (ASBO) is a court order that bans the recipient from

specific areas or activities. At the moment 31 people in Islington have ASBOs – and if someone breaks their ASBO they risk being arrested.

In some cases we will implement an acceptable behaviour contract (ABC), which isn't legally binding but gives us an opportunity to talk with the person, along with their parents if applicable. If they break their ABC we can follow it up with an ASBO.

If an area has lots of anti-social behaviour and crime, such as drug dealing or underage drinking, then we work with the police to get a dispersal order. A recent dispersal order at Elthorne Park enabled us to work with street drinkers, helping them get housing and healthcare. We can also implement controlled drinking zones (CDZ) and these are currently in place at Elthorne and Kinloch Parks, as well as Sunnyside Gardens.

**The Mayor meets local residents at a community safety day at Kinloch Park**



If you suspect that a house or flat in your area is being used for drug use or dealing, let us know. That information means we can obtain a warrant to search the property and make arrests. We can also issue a drug closure order if necessary, which can last for up to six months. In the last year, we issued ten drug closure orders, which mean it is an offence to enter the property and it will be sealed. These orders allow us to work with the landlord of the property to start the eviction process so the tenant cannot return.

## Clerkenwell clampdown

A campaign has been launched to protect historic Clerkenwell and its residents from the excesses of late-night revellers. Well known for its pubs, bars, clubs and restaurants, Clerkenwell attracts people from across London. But concerns from residents about problems from the busy nightlife, including drinking and urinating in the streets, noisy queues and litter, have prompted a response from the council and Islington Police.

Measures include the Clerkenwell Charter, a voluntary pledge that licensees are being invited to sign up to, which highlights the need to manage queues, avoid having noisy customers outside and generally

be good neighbours. Temporary toilets are being installed at weekends to minimise urinating in the streets and litter collection has been stepped up.



**PC Derek Simcox, of Clerkenwell Safer Neighbourhoods Team**

## Don't suffer in silence

Do you know someone who is at risk of harm or neglect – or do you feel vulnerable yourself? If you worry that your friends or relatives are not looking after your best interests and you don't want to go to the police, we can help. Islington and the PCT have produced a booklet detailing who to contact if you or someone you know is in this situation.

Jan Boorman, Adult Protection Co-ordinator, said: "We want to raise awareness about safeguarding vulnerable people. Anyone who comes across this problem can

get information from the booklet, phone through their concerns and get advice.

"The message is this: don't wait for proof that abuse is happening. Social Services may have some information already and what you say may be a vital clue to help them understand what's going on. A member of Social Services staff will then be better placed to assist the person as they make decisions for their future."

**For help call 020 7527 4486 or visit [www.islington.gov.uk/safeguarding](http://www.islington.gov.uk/safeguarding)**

## Condom rap for St John Street shop

The owner of Royston Garden News in St John Street has pleaded guilty to Trade Mark Act offences relating to counterfeit condoms seized from his shop last year. The council's Trading Standards team was alerted to counterfeit condoms being

available on the market earlier in the year and immediately inspected retailers, seizing over 800 packets of condoms.

The owner of Royston Garden News was fined £650 and ordered to pay full costs of just over £616.

### How to report crime and anti-social behaviour:

- If it's not an emergency or to report a crime that has already taken place, call 0300 123 1212.
  - If you are concerned about crime or anti-social behaviour in your local neighbourhood call your local Safer Neighbourhoods team – see [www.met.police.uk/saferneighbourhoods](http://www.met.police.uk/saferneighbourhoods) for more information.
  - You can call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.
  - If you are a Homes for Islington (HFI) tenant and a Sky or Virgin Media subscriber you can use the 'Islington Looking Local' service, which allows you to report anti-social behaviour through your TV, using your remote control. You can also call HFI's ASB hotline on 020 7527 7272.
  - In it's an emergency or if a crime is taking place, dial 999.
- For more information about safety and crime in your neighbourhood, look out for your Safer newsletter this February.**

# YOUNG ISLINGTON

7

## Fostering hope

Fostering teenagers has its challenges, but it can be immensely rewarding too. One of Islington's long-standing foster carers explains why she thinks it's worth it.

Veena Brown has dedicated nearly half her life to looking after foster children.

Inspired by her own difficult childhood, the 66-year-old has been a foster carer for 32 rewarding years – and she's still going strong.

Relocated from one auntie to the next when she was growing up, Veena was determined as a foster carer to offer the support, understanding and stability she felt she never had.

"I've fostered more than 20 children over the years, as well as raising three of my own," she says. "I also played mum to four nieces and nephews. But for the past seven years I've been fostering only teenagers – I made the change because there was a greater need for that in Islington."

Veena, who retired from her career as a nurse only in December, admits it can be

tough at times. "But life is filled with challenges," she explains.

**"If it was your own child who needed help you would support them and, to me, this is the same. These young people just need to be loved."**

Islington's Adolescent Fostering Team needs 15 to 20 new carers for 2009, but meeting this need is a tough task as pre-conceived ideas often steer potential foster carers towards younger children. Islington's Adolescent Fostering Team manager, John Crawford, admitted fostering teenagers can be demanding.

"There are a lot of pressures in working with adolescents," he says. "You are dealing with someone else's child and they may not have been brought up

in a good way. We need people who are extremely resilient, who can set and maintain boundaries, and who – perhaps most importantly – have a sense of humour.

"When we find those people, the challenges are balanced by the rewards. Our foster carers are really making a difference to people's lives."

Veena, who currently has two teenagers in her care, can testify to this. "Most of the children I've raised still call, send cards and come back and visit," she says. "Some have children of their own; some are studying at university. I get personal satisfaction seeing them do well, even if that just means they are taking care of themselves. It makes me feel that what I'm doing is worthwhile."

Islington Council foster carers receive 24-hour support,



a supervising social worker and a weekly allowance.

Aside from a clean criminal record and medical approval, there are no pre-requisites to become a foster carer. Whether you're single, in a couple, gay,

lesbian, disabled... whatever your race, culture or faith – it doesn't matter.

Cllr Paula Belford, Executive Member for Children and Young People, said: "There are so many people who would make excellent foster carers but might not realise that they're eligible. I would urge anyone who might be interested to get in touch."

**For more information**  
phone 0800  
073 0428, email  
fostering@islington.gov.uk  
or visit [www.islington.gov.uk/fostering](http://www.islington.gov.uk/fostering)

### Combat the credit crunch



**Do you need housing or council tax benefit advice?** If so, use our drop-in service to see if you are entitled to welfare benefits or council services. Visit one of our Area Housing Offices on Central Street, Lyon Street or Upper Street from 9am-3.30pm Monday to Friday. The Holland Walk office also offers a limited service.

For more information call **020 7527 4099** or email [benefits.service@islington.gov.uk](mailto:benefits.service@islington.gov.uk)

## My favourite place in Islington

"I like going swimming because it helps me get fit and healthy, and it's good exercise.

My favourite place in Islington is Archway Leisure Centre and its swimming pool. I like it because it's close to my house and I feel safe going there. I'm not a good swimmer so I think I need a lot of practice. At the moment I'm



learning how to swim underwater with my eyes open and then I'll be like a professional.

"The staff are really nice and this is another reason I like swimming at the pool. The pool has lots of different areas – for little babies, non-swimmers and places for

people that are not really strong swimmers, as well as places for those that are.

"The pool even has a wave machine, but you have to be an excellent swimmer to swim in the waves. It's impossible for me at the moment to swim in the waves but maybe I'll be able to do it after a bit more practice.

"When I'm older I'd like to swim in the Olympics. But if I want to be a professional swimmer I'll have to go to the swimming pool twice a day. It's lucky I live so close."

**Samuel attends Headliners, a journalism programme for people aged eight to 19.**

**If you are a youth group or club in Islington interested in a Learning Through Journalism course for your young people, contact Headliners on 020 7749 9360 or go to [www.headliners.org](http://www.headliners.org). For more on the borough's leisure facilities, go to [www.aquaterra.org.uk](http://www.aquaterra.org.uk).**

**Pictured left: Samuel hopes to swim in the Olympics one day**

# Art in Islington

Pleasance Theatre champions new talent and helped to launch the Mighty Boosh



Islington may be one of London's smallest boroughs but in cultural terms it is a giant. Famous organisations like Sadler's Wells, CandoCo Dance Company, English Touring Opera and The National Youth Theatre are all based here.

There are also some impressive new arrivals, including the **Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment**, the **London Sinfonietta** and two major galleries, **Pangolin London** and **Kings Place**. As if that weren't enough, a wealth of smaller, hidden gems are dotted around the borough as well. So whether you want to be entertained or you are an aspiring artist or performer yourself, you have plenty of choice right on your doorstep.

We'll be giving you regular updates in IslingtonNow, but in the meantime, here are just a few examples of local organisations to whet your appetite!

### All Change

All Change has been delivering arts projects in Islington since 1985 and works with around 1,000 residents each year. It brings professional artists together with people who would not usually have access to the arts, giving them a voice. It also encourages them to develop their skills and interests beyond the life of each project.

All Change projects are tailor-made for each individual

group, vary in scale and can include a range of different activities.

You'll be able to see a range of this work throughout 2009, including a film by refugee women entitled 'Snapshot', a live event featuring young people at the Emirates and artwork inspired by Newington Green.

➔ **For more information about All Change, visit [www.allchangearts.org](http://www.allchangearts.org) or call 020 7689 4646 or email [all.change@virgin.net](mailto:all.change@virgin.net)**

### Islington Arts Factory (IAF)

IAF has played a vital role in the lives of local residents in Holloway for the last 30 years.

Based in a converted church on Parkhurst Road, it offers dance, music and visual arts classes for children, young people and adults. It also runs exhibitions and events and has rehearsal rooms and studio spaces for hire.

Director Elizabeth Lepineire said: "It's a fantastic and safe place for people to come and unlock their creative potential, meet and make friends – and feel part of this vibrant community."

Islington Arts Factory will be holding a fundraising event called 'Powerdown', an acoustic music event, on 28 February from 8pm to midnight. Tickets are £5 on the door.

### Pleasance Theatre

Pleasance Theatre is located just off Caledonian Road and is a venue that prides itself on championing new theatre, comedy, dance and family shows.

Established theatre companies and comedians often try out new material here, and it has been very successful at producing work at the Edinburgh Fringe – even helping to launch super-successful acts like the Mighty Boosh. The theatre also offers low-cost rehearsal space to performers



A group of young residents make the most of the All Change project

to develop new work.

Anthony Alderson, Director of Pleasance, says: "The buzz about Pleasance is building all the time, and with the expansion of the premises into new rehearsal spaces, the venue is a hive of activity."

February will see the return of comedians Simon Amstell and Mark Thomas, as well as a more serious piece about sex trafficking called Fair Trade with

a Q&A session with producer Emma Thompson.

And in April, don't miss the theatre being turned into a mock stable for Horseplay – an interactive play for children. It should be fun!

➔ **To find out more visit the Pleasance website at [www.pleasance.co.uk](http://www.pleasance.co.uk) or call the box office on 020 7609 1800.**

## Combat the credit crunch



**Are you getting the help you're entitled to?** Islington Law Centre provides free legal advice and assistance to anyone who lives, works or studies in Islington. Specialist units include housing, employment, immigration, welfare benefits, education, debt and consumer law. Advisers are seen by appointment only. To find out more call **020 7281 2906** or email **[info@islingtonlaw.org.uk](mailto:info@islingtonlaw.org.uk)**

21 events are listed in our programme for LGBT History Month 2009

30,000 calls are taken by LLGS telephone helpline each year

9

## Love is in the air

Love is definitely in the air this Valentine's Day with the number of couples tying the knot at Islington Town Hall in double figures. As 14 February falls on a Saturday this year, the date has been even more in demand for civil ceremonies and civil partnerships than usual.

One couple getting married then are June Jeffryes and Stuart Bates, who started off as work colleagues. They

chose Valentine's Day as it was the day their love first blossomed one year. June says: "Stuart got me a card and a corny singing love heart that made me laugh. I knew then I too had feelings for him. We still laugh about it now!"

Of course, Valentine's Day is a popular day for marriage proposals too. So, if you're going to be looking for a wedding venue in Islington or the City of London, why not

check out the Register Office website?

You'll find details of the Town Hall, which has a number of rooms to suit a range of ceremonies. The forecourt redevelopments are being finished this month to create a more spacious area for happy couples to enjoy on their special day. And perfect for photographs on bad weather days is the sweeping marble staircase in the entrance hall of the listed building, which attracted June and Stuart. June says: "We chose Islington

Town Hall because it's a beautiful building with the most gorgeous staircase."

You'll also find an up-to-date list and contact details of all the other venues in Islington and the City of London that are licensed for marriages and civil partnerships. Plus, there's handy information and answers to questions you might have to help you plan your ceremony and take some of the stress away of preparing for your big day.



➔ For more information, visit [www.islington.gov.uk/ceremonies](http://www.islington.gov.uk/ceremonies), or contact [registrars@islington.gov.uk](mailto:registrars@islington.gov.uk) or 020 7527 6350.

# Celebrating LGBT history

February is national Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Trans (LGBT) History Month, which gives us all the opportunity to

celebrate the achievements and heritage of the LGBT community.

With recent surveys showing that Islington has one of the highest populations of LGBT people in the country, there is a range of exciting events happening throughout the month, and they are right on your doorstep. One of the highlights is the opening event, involving several local organisations who are celebrating milestone anniversaries this year.

London Lesbian & Gay Switchboard (LLGS) is one such organisation – a telephone

helpline, celebrating 35 years of offering support and information to anyone with questions about sexuality or sexual health. Each year, trained volunteers speak to thousands of people from across the UK. Phil Nicol has volunteered at LLGS since 2005. As well as staffing the helpline, he is co-chair of the charity.

Phil says that although some things have improved for the LGBT community, there are still challenges. "Many people struggle to come to terms with their sexuality because of pressure from their family or peers, so we still get a lot of 'coming out' calls. And sadly, we still get plenty of calls about homophobic bullying, discrimination and abuse."

LLGS offers calm words

when people might need them most. All calls are treated in confidence and the volunteers never tell callers what to do. Phil says: "For some people who call us, it will be the first time they have ever said the words 'I am gay' to anyone else. And people often call back to thank us for help we have given them in previous calls. Feeling as if you are making a difference to people's lives is really rewarding."

LLGS will be involved in events in Islington to celebrate LGBT History Month and they will also be holding their own fundraising events for their 35th anniversary.

CLr Ruth Polling, Executive Member for Leisure and Equalities, said: "This year's LGBT month gives us the chance to celebrate the

LLGS helpline:  
020 7837 7324  
(10am to 11pm daily)  
For more information  
about the service, how  
to volunteer or how  
to donate, visit  
[www.llgs.org.uk](http://www.llgs.org.uk)

fantastic contribution that the LGBT community has made to our borough and to reflect on what we still need to do to tackle discrimination."

For information about the LGBT History Month events in Islington, including art and photographic shows, pub quizzes, book and poetry events and much more, visit [www.islington.gov.uk/lgbthistory](http://www.islington.gov.uk/lgbthistory). Or for a copy of our brochure, which gives details of the events, contact Andrew Younger on [andrew.younger@islington.gov.uk](mailto:andrew.younger@islington.gov.uk) or 020 7527 3504.



Phil Nicol working the phones at the London Lesbian & Gay Switchboard

ARE DRUGS MESSING WITH YOUR HEAD?



WE CAN HELP.

ISLINGTON

NHS  
Islington

If you are under 18 and want free, confidential advice about drugs and alcohol, contact us at **The Annexe, Islington's drug and alcohol service for young people**. We won't judge you.

Text "drugs" and your first name to 60777\*, call 020 7527 5099 or email [drugs@islington.gov.uk](mailto:drugs@islington.gov.uk)

\* Texts cost standard network rate

# Diary of a social worker

Challenging, rewarding, stressful at times... the life of a social worker is not always easy. Most people enter the profession because they want to make a difference, but how does the day-to-day reality fit with the ideals? Levina Lawrence, who has worked with at-risk children for many years, gives us an insight into her world.

## MONDAY

To help communication with Children's Services, all the borough's schools have a key social worker they can contact with any queries or concerns they may have. I have been assigned to a primary school, and accompany my manager to an introductory meeting with the head teacher and his deputy. I'm impressed with the way the head teacher

takes a real interest in what is happening in the children's lives outside of school, and actively tries to get to know their parents. By the end of meeting I think we are all feeling pretty positive about our new partnership.

## TUESDAY

I had arranged to go a local shopping centre with a 16-year-old female service user,

as she wants to find a dress to wear for a school party. I have been working with her for 18 months and she has had a lot of instability in her life and was previously considered to be a child at risk. Despite this, she has been able to successfully pass her GCSEs and is now taking her A levels. She shows me an award she recently won for her academic achievements and I almost burst with pride.

## THURSDAY

My last visit of the day is at 4.30pm, as visits must be scheduled around the child's school day. I spend time chatting to the children and get them to show me their bedrooms. Then I talk to their mother who is feeling anxious about Children's Service's involvement. I try to be reassuring while still reminding her that we are involved due to the concerns we have for her children. One of the challenges of social work is finding the right balance of being supportive towards parents and understanding their situation, while making sure they comply with the plans and agreements made to ensure their children are safe and well. When it comes down to it, this is always our main priority.

## WEDNESDAY

I am the duty worker for my team today, which means I am responsible for taking calls and queries regarding cases held within my team. I may see service users who come into the office, or attend meetings on behalf of colleagues who are out doing casework. I enjoy being on duty as it's varied; you never know which issues may arise. As I have to be office based, I make the most of the few quiet periods during the day to write up my case notes from the previous day's visits, update my case files and sort through my emails. I even manage to tidy my desk!

## FRIDAY

My last visit of the week is to a seven-year-old boy who is subject to a Child Protection plan. I have been his social worker for only a few weeks and we're still getting to know each other. The child is very

excited when I arrive, as he had taken part in his school's show that afternoon and was keen to give me a rendition of a song he had sung. I am pleasantly surprised at this, as he is often very quiet during my visits.

It is always important to look beyond the obvious in these cases, as things are not always what they seem. That said, his enthusiasm and excitement are so infectious that soon I am singing along with him as we dance around his room. An unexpected but enjoyable way to end the week!

## Tackling child poverty

Islington Council recently hosted a London-wide Child Poverty Summit at the newly-opened Golden Lane campus.

Many of the initiatives discussed at the summit will build on the Child Poverty Toolkit that Islington Council and local partners helped to develop. The web-based guide offers practical tools and advice for councils across the country so they can ensure that policies and services are geared towards removing barriers that stop parents from getting into work.

The council will use its role as a major local employer to offer more flexible, child-friendly working hours. Job adverts and work placements will be targeted at parents and

recruitment sessions held in some of the most deprived estates in the borough. More support will also be provided for unemployed and low-income parents including advice on benefits, childcare options and training.

Mayor of London, Boris Johnson, and Children's Minister, Beverley Hughes, joined Islington Council leader, James Kempton, and a number of other London leaders at the event at Golden Lane Campus.

➔ **If you want to find out more about how to get into work or training in Islington, contact [workis@islington.gov.uk](mailto:workis@islington.gov.uk) or call 020 7527 4486**

## Do it online

If you want to report a problem on your street you can now do it online. Litter, graffiti, fly tipping, abandoned vehicles, dog mess, broken streetlights, blocked drains, damaged pavements, road pot holes – and more!

Find out more at [www.islington.gov.uk/reportproblem](http://www.islington.gov.uk/reportproblem)



# Making it all add up

Just over a year ago Debbie Castle and Samantha Pavey attended their first numeracy class at Hargrave Park Learning Centre. Sam had left school with no qualifications and was keen to work towards one, while Debbie was concerned that most jobs required qualifications in both Maths and English, which she didn't have.

And so, when Debbie picked up an Adult and Community Learning (ACL) leaflet about the learning centre, she persuaded Sam to go with her to the class.

"When I first started, I was scared it would be too hard," admits Debbie. Sam confessed that she had doubts too, confiding: "There was no way I would have gone on my own."

When asked what effect the course has had on their lives, Sam explained that she is now able to help her children with their homework. She also uses her numeracy



**Debbie Castle and Samantha Pavey are looking forward to using their new skills in the workplace**

skills to help with everyday tasks such as checking bills.

Both Debbie and Sam were thrilled to pass their Level 1 National Test in Numeracy and are now both working towards the Level 2 Numeracy National Tests.

Debbie is hoping to take her learning further to enable her to work as a teaching assistant, while Sam is hoping to complete her Level 3 Numeracy at college, before progressing into floristry once her children are at school.

**Social worker Levina Lawrence picks out just a few of the tasks that make up a typical week**

## A helping hand for parents

Islington resident and mother-of-four Isha Kamara is looking forward to starting a new life later this month, when she begins a new full-time job at Charing Cross Hospital as a nursing assistant. Unemployed for over four years when illness forced her to give up her career as a housing officer, 35-year-old Isha has always wanted to be involved in nursing.

"I went to college last year to train but, as a mother, found it tough to make ends meet," she says. "I was paying for childcare for my two-year-old son as I'm a lone parent and don't have any family or friends nearby to help out, and I was really struggling and on the brink of having to give it all up."

She told staff at Paradise

Park Children's Centre, where her son attends nursery, of her difficulties. They told her about the Childcare Affordability Programme, a council scheme that provides free childcare to lone parents while they are job hunting, in vocational training or on a volunteering placement.

Through the scheme Isha received three days a week free childcare while she completed her course. "I'm so thankful I got the funding – I wouldn't have been able to finish the course without it," she says. "My kids are so excited to see me in my uniform! They're really proud of me."

**➔ To find out more about the scheme, visit [www.islington.gov.uk/careers](http://www.islington.gov.uk/careers).**



**Isha Kamara celebrates her nursing qualification with her family.**

# Love your heart

This Valentine's Day, spend a little time looking after the one heart that will always be with you – your own. Here are a few simple steps to a healthier heart... and a happier you.

Do you know you need more exercise, but don't like going to the gym? If that sounds like you, you're not alone! The good news is that you don't have to join a gym to improve your health. Here are a few ideas to get you off the starting blocks and into a healthier lifestyle. Best of all, the suggestions we've picked out are also easy on your wallet!

### Football

Why not get involved in the nation's favourite sport by joining a free football training



Cllr Ruth Polling with the Islington Borough Ladies Football Team

session? Islington's Football Development partnership is running a series of ten-week football training courses with different sessions aimed at girls, men over 45 and obese residents.

➔ For more information, call 020 7700 1370.

### Walking

Walking at any speed has lots of health benefits, including reducing your chances of developing diabetes and improving your muscle strength. However, to look after your heart and lungs you need to walk briskly. Two miles' brisk walking a day can

reduce your chances of having a heart attack by a massive 28%, so why not get off the bus a couple of stops early? Or better still, don't get on at all!

➔ If you'd like to walk in a group, Islington Health Walks organise a programme of free weekly walks. For information call 020 7527 2626 or email [emma.charlton@islington.gov.uk](mailto:emma.charlton@islington.gov.uk)

### Cycling

Cycling is the fastest way to get around Islington and it's very good for you. It gets your blood pumping and will burn

around 300 calories an hour. And there are now almost 1,000 cycle stands around the borough, making it even easier for local residents to get on their bikes.

➔ For more information on cycling in Islington, visit [www.islington.gov.uk/cycling](http://www.islington.gov.uk/cycling)

### Before you get started

If you are just starting to exercise it is important to begin by doing a bit at a time. We recommend that you consult your doctor before getting started, particularly if you have any pre-diagnosed health concerns.

## New home for vet van

The mobile Blue Cross veterinary clinic, which for the last three years has visited the Town Hall every Thursday, has found a new home at Islington Green. The council supports this valuable service by providing a free parking space for the van that houses the mobile clinic. So when refurbishment work began on the Town Hall forecourt, the van was relocated so residents who take advantage of the service wouldn't miss out.

The Blue Cross is a charity that provides veterinary treatment for animals belonging to people who can't afford private vets' fees, especially pet owners who are in receipt of a qualifying benefit (state retirement pension, housing benefit, council tax benefit, income support, working tax credit or job seeker's allowance). It provides a range of services, including vaccinations, worm and flea treatment, microchipping and treatment of straightforward problems.

Residents and their pets queue for treatment on Islington Green



## NHS Islington is your local NHS

We are here to help Islington residents stay healthy and have access to the best possible local healthcare services.

[www.islington.nhs.uk](http://www.islington.nhs.uk)

Visit our new website where you will be able to:

- ◆ Find a local doctor or NHS dentist
- ◆ Tell us what you think about your local health services
- ◆ Find out how we make decisions
- ◆ Look for jobs at NHS Islington
- ◆ Get health advice ~ find out how you can stop smoking, eat more healthily or get a free flu jab.



NHS Islington is the operating name of Islington Primary Care Trust (PCT)

# YOUR VIEWS

13

## Safe as houses

Last year we asked tenants and residents what housing challenges they thought Islington faced. We wanted to know what you felt was important and how we can help to make changes across the borough.

The invaluable feedback gained has been used to help shape Islington's Housing Strategy 2009-2014, which sets out future housing plans for Islington.

In July 2008 an independent housing commission was set up. Made up of housing professionals, local residents, tenant representatives, political party nominees and council officers, the commission has been guiding the development and production of the new Islington housing strategy.

Following the consultation, the strategy proposes five key objectives – to deliver more homes, build better quality homes and neighbourhoods,

provide better managed homes and services, and promote better engagement. The strategy also aims to make housing a solid foundation for improving lives and creating opportunities.

The commission will present its findings to the council who will take them on board when preparing the strategy. We will keep you updated on progress in IslingtonNow.

If you have any queries, please contact Hitesh Tailor on 020 7527 4438. To view the strategy and to look at the full consultation report with the views raised by tenants and residents, visit [www.islington.gov.uk/housing](http://www.islington.gov.uk/housing).



The Packington Estate Planning Brief was adopted after consultation with local residents, businesses, users of the local parks and users of the nearby canal

### Do it online

If you need to register a birth or death in your family, you can now do it online. You can also apply for a marriage or civil partnership certificate with the Islington Council registrars.

Register at [www.islington.gov.uk/birthsdeaths marriages](http://www.islington.gov.uk/birthsdeaths marriages)



## Your money, your priorities

Last November we consulted local people on what the council's spending priorities should be in 2009/10, and what the council tax rates should be.

We used several methods to collect residents' opinions. Over 1,000 people were interviewed face-to-face, while others responded by postal questionnaire or on our internet survey. In total, a record number of people – 3,200 – gave us their views.


The clear top priority for council spending next year was tackling crime and anti-social behaviour. This was mentioned by three quarters of all respondents.

Improving education standards was a priority for three in five (61%) of residents who were interviewed face-to-face. Making the streets cleaner was a priority for half (49%). More sustainable recycling and managing waste was also mentioned, as well as activities for young people and support for elderly and vulnerable residents.

Nine out of ten respondents also said it was important that the council listens to local people. And over three quarters said it was important for the council to tackle the causes of climate change.

Residents were more divided about whether the council should maintain current service levels but increase the council tax by up to 5%, or balance a lower tax increase with some service reductions.

The final tax and budget decisions will be taken at the full Council meeting on 26 February. This meeting is open to the public.

 To see the consultation results in more detail, visit our website at [www.islington.gov.uk/consultation](http://www.islington.gov.uk/consultation), and select the budget consultation link.



## The arts

### Duet for One

Stephanie Abrahams, a brilliant concert violinist, is forced to re-evaluate her life when she is struck down by an unforeseen tragedy. Faced with a truth too difficult to comprehend, she consults psychiatrist Dr Feldmann and through a series of highly charged encounters is led to examine her deepest emotions and finally to consider a future without music.

**Where:** Almeida Theatre, Almeida Street, N1 1TA

**When:** 22 January-14 March

**How much:** £6-£29.50. For more information, call 020 7359 4404 or email [ticketenquiries@almeida.co.uk](mailto:ticketenquiries@almeida.co.uk)

### Traces

This young and impressive French-Canadian company has pioneered a new brand of circus. Traces was an award-winning show at the Edinburgh Festival in 2007, and now it comes to London for the first time.

Combining serious circus training with infectious energy, four men and one woman perform gravity-defying displays of skill, mixed with film clips, narration and music. Set to a pumping soundtrack with rock and roll, blues and hip hop, Traces reveals snippets of the performers' real lives through video and narration.

**Where:** Peacock Theatre Portugal Street, Holborn, WC2

**When:** 3 February-14 March

**How much:** £10-£36, half-price tickets for under 16s (max. two children per one adult). For more information, call 0844 412 4322 or visit [www.sadlerswells.com](http://www.sadlerswells.com)

### Les Ballets C. de la B. Alain Platel's pitié!

Platel's daring reinvention of Bach's 'untouchable' masterpiece approaches the central story of the crucifixion from a mother's



Juliet Stevenson and Henry Goodman in Duet for One

perspective. Working with a cast of ten dancers, Platel questions the limits of the individual's ultimate sacrifice: oneself. Cassol's score draws on the essence of Bach's music, and is performed live on stage by eight musicians including regular C de la B collaborators, Aka Moon, and three singers.

**Where:** Sadler's Wells Theatre, Rosebery Avenue, EC1R 4TN

**When:** 5-7 February

**How much:** £10-£25. For more information, call 0844 412 4300 or visit [www.sadlerswells.com](http://www.sadlerswells.com)

### The Adventures of Prince Achmed

Returning to Little Angel, London band LITTLE S have created a musical performance to accompany the world's first feature length animated film: The Adventures of Prince Achmed. This Lotte Reiniger film is based on stories from Arabian Nights and is a work of beauty created painstakingly by hand during the 1920s then almost lost during the war.

**Where:** Little Angel Theatre, 14 Dagmar Passage, N1 2DN

**When:** 19-22 March  
**How much:** £10-£12.50. To find out more, call 020 7226 1787 or visit [www.littleangeltheatre.com](http://www.littleangeltheatre.com)

### Fabrik: The Legend of M Rabinowitz

Inspired by Nordic and Yiddish folktales, and featuring puppets, masks, sets and

music, Fabrik tells the exceptional story of Moritz Rabinowitz, the Norwegian Jew who "built a factory from a button" and dedicated his life to fighting anti-Semitism and the rise of Hitler. In telling Rabinowitz's story, Fabrik is about the places we call home, the choices we make in our lives, and the impressions those choices leave on history. In 2008 this production was awarded a UNIMA Citation of Excellence.

**Where:** Little Angel Theatre, 14 Dagmar Passage, N1 2DN

**When:** 4-8 March  
**How much:** £10-£12.50. To find out more, call 020 7226 1787 or visit [www.littleangeltheatre.com](http://www.littleangeltheatre.com)

### Ivana Muller

In this poetic and humorous work, five frozen silhouettes emerge out of the darkness. One by one, the actors share their thoughts with the audience, painting a picture of different scenes; at one point they are a family having a picnic in the forest, at another point they are inhabitants of the Alps, at another they are in a hotel room in Bangkok. The result is a philosophical trip, where dizzying ideas are expressed with emotional poignancy.

**Where:** Sadler's Wells Theatre, Rosebery Avenue, EC1R 4TN

**When:** 6-7 February  
**How much:** £12 (under 5s will not be permitted). For more information, call 0844 412 4300 or visit [www.sadlerswells.com](http://www.sadlerswells.com)



## Young fun!

### The Tin Forest

A lonely old man lives in a dreary junkyard, full of unwanted junk. He dreams that one day his world will be full of life, colour and sound. His wish is about to come true... with mechanical birds, a wind-up circus and exotic animals, the show has no words but a sound-scape of live music and sound effects. This is a puppet show based on the book by Helen Ward, illustrated by Wayne Anderson, and published by Templar.

**Where:** Little Angel Theatre, 14 Dagmar Passage, N1 2DN  
**When:** 11-15 February  
**Age:** 3+ (baby-friendly shows 10am Thursday and 11am Saturday)

**How much:** £5-£8. To find out more, call 020 7226 1787 or visit [www.littleangeltheatre.com](http://www.littleangeltheatre.com)

### Little Hippo and his Magic Pen

For his birthday, Little Hippo received lots of beautiful presents, but his favourite was the red pen Daddy Hippo gave him. Using puppets, storytelling and music, this bilingual (English/French) play introduces writing and drawing in an imaginative way. The performance is interactive, so the children can join in to make their own drawings using Little Hippo's pens.

**Where:** Little Angel Theatre, 14 Dagmar Passage, N1 2DN

**When:** 18-22 February  
**Age:** 2-5 (Baby Friendly shows 10am Thursday and Saturday)

**How much:** £5-£8. To find out more, call 020 7226 1787 or visit [www.littleangeltheatre.com](http://www.littleangeltheatre.com)



If you want to see your event listed here, email us at [events@islington.gov.uk](mailto:events@islington.gov.uk)

We can't guarantee that all events will be published. All events are subject to change. Please check with the venue before attending.

**LGBT**

For a full list of LGBT History Month events in Islington, visit [www.islington.gov.uk/lgbthistory](http://www.islington.gov.uk/lgbthistory). Here are some of the highlights:

**Launch Event – Youth and Education**

We celebrate the start of the month with the opening of an exhibition of LGBT art and artists, followed by a short concert of music and entertainment.

**Where:** Central Library Hall, 2 Fieldway Crescent, N5 1PF  
**When:** 2 February, 6–9pm  
**How much:** For a free ticket, email [andrew.younger@islington.gov.uk](mailto:andrew.younger@islington.gov.uk).

**LGBT Art Exhibition**

This art exhibition by young people and artists celebrates LGBT life both past and present. It will be previewed at the Launch Event.

**Where:** Central Library Hall, 2 Fieldway Crescent, N5 1PF

**When:** 3–27 February, daily between 9am–5pm  
**How much:** Free

**Walking Proud in Islington**

Ground-breaking exhibition revealing the queerest borough in Britain. From politics to parties, from community service to the arts, this borough has touched the lives of hundreds of thousands of LGBT people.

**Where:** Finsbury Library, 245 St John Street, EC1V 4NB  
**When:** 2–28 February, daily 9am–5pm  
**How Much:** Free. To find out more, call Jack Gilbert on 07719 378143 or email [jack.gilbert@proudheritage.org](mailto:jack.gilbert@proudheritage.org)

**Walk Proud – a radical heritage trail**

This walk rediscovers the first gay rights demo in

Britain. You'll also learn more about the first march, key sites of lesbian/feminist history, historic venues and a few surprises along the way. Hear eye-witness testimony, press coverage and a bit of gossip too. The walk lasts about 90 minutes at a gentle pace.

**Where:** Starts at the forecourt of Highbury and Islington station.

**When:** 7 February, 2pm

**How much:** Free. To find out more, call Jack Gilbert on 07719 378143 or email [jack.gilbert@proudheritage.org](mailto:jack.gilbert@proudheritage.org)

**LGBT Bestsellers**

With over 50 of the bestsellers available in all libraries, it's time to check out what everyone's reading in LGBT fiction. Look out for the display



stand at your local library.

**Where:** Various Islington libraries – visit [www.islington.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.islington.gov.uk/libraries) for venue details.

**When:** Visit [www.islington.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.islington.gov.uk/libraries) for dates and times.

**Storytime Readings**

Listen to readings in the children's section at Waterstone's and while you're there, check out the LGBT History Month display.

**Where:** Waterstone's, 11 Islington Green, N1 2XH  
**When:** Visit [www.islington.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.islington.gov.uk/libraries) for dates and times.

**Walk Proud – cutting edge culture**

Take a walk past the home of Joe Orton, the iconic Fallen Angel, the London Lesbian and Gay Centre, Trade, Mother Clap's Molly House, The Bell and lots of other famous venues.

**Where:** Starts at the entrance of Angel Underground station.

**When:** 21 February, 2pm.  
**How much:** Free. For more information, call Jack Gilbert on 07719 378143 or email [jack.gilbert@proudheritage.org](mailto:jack.gilbert@proudheritage.org)

**Closing Gala**

Say goodbye to LGBT History Month 2009 with wine and song, along with a special appearance by countertenor William Sauerland and his singers from the Royal College of Music Historical Performance Department.

**Where:** Finsbury Library, 245 St John Street, EC1V 4NB  
**When:** 27 February, 6–8pm  
**How much:** For a free ticket, email [andrew.younger@islington.gov.uk](mailto:andrew.younger@islington.gov.uk).



**WE CAN MAKE YOUR HOME WARMER FOR FREE**

**Islington Council is working with Osborne Energy to make it easy for you to make a real difference to the warmth of your home and save money on your fuel bills.**

The Warmth and Comfort scheme can arrange grants for **FREE** heating and insulation home improvements for residents who own their own home or rent it from a private landlord.



**Heating improvements**

If you, or someone who lives in your home, is in receipt of a means tested or disability benefit you may be eligible for:

- a new energy efficient boiler to replace an existing one over 15 years old
- new radiators to replace any over 20 years old
- new central heating controls, such as a thermostat and thermostatic radiator valves
- a central heating system to be installed if none exists in your home

Eligible means tested and disability benefits include: Income Support, Housing Benefit, Pension Credit, Disability Living Allowance and Attendance Allowance.

**Full home assessments carried out, all grants are subject to funding and eligibility criteria. The work is carried out by Osborne Energy approved contractors.**

**Insulation**

If you, or someone who lives in your home, is either over 70 years old OR in receipt of a means tested or disability benefit you may be eligible for:

- loft insulation topped up to 250mm (approx. 10 inches)
- cavity wall insulation

A new energy efficient boiler can save you up to 40% on gas bills.

Making sure your home is well insulated can save you up to £200 on annual fuel bills.



It's worth getting in touch to find out if we can help and to arrange a free home assessment.

**0800 085 1674** or visit **[www.warmthandcomfort.co.uk](http://www.warmthandcomfort.co.uk)**

## COUNCIL MEETINGS

### Health and Wellbeing Review Committee Meeting

Islington Town Hall, Upper Street, Islington, N1 2UD  
12 February

### North Area Planning Sub-Committee Meeting

Location to be confirmed  
16 February

### South Area Planning Sub-Committee Meeting

Location to be confirmed  
16 February

### West Area Planning Sub-Committee Meeting

Laycock PDC, Laycock Street, London, N1 1TH  
19 February

### East Area Planning Sub-Committee Meeting

Location to be confirmed  
19 February

### Licensing Sub-Committee C Meeting

Islington Town Hall, Upper Street, Islington, N1 2UD  
23 February

### Licensing Regulatory Committee Meeting

Islington Town Hall, Upper Street, Islington, N1 2UD  
25 February

### Council Meeting

Islington Town Hall, Upper Street, Islington, N1 2UD  
26 February

### Executive Meeting

Islington Town Hall, Upper Street, Islington, N1 2UD  
26 February

➔ **For more information, call Jakki Crowder on 020 7527 3251, email [jakki.crowder@islington.gov.uk](mailto:jakki.crowder@islington.gov.uk) or see [www.islington.gov.uk/democracy](http://www.islington.gov.uk/democracy)**

## New-look Contact Islington reception area

The Children in Need service is moving from 292 Essex Road to Contact Islington at 222 Upper Street in March. Contact Islington is our main service centre, so the move means that more of our services will be based in one, convenient place.

There will be four new interview rooms offering confidential spaces for Children in Need customers. And as part of the work we're doing to accommodate the service at 222 Upper Street, we are also making improvements to the waiting area for everyone visiting Contact Islington. This will include better seating arrangements, an area for children and new self-service points, where



you can access our services online.

Interior building work will take place until 20 February. Contact Islington's opening hours will not be affected, but there will be some disruption in the reception area during this time.

## Changes to VAT

On 1 December 2008, VAT was reduced from 17.5% to 15%.

This means some council services will cost less, including aspects of planning, waste disposal and social services.

One example is our Community Alarm Service for elderly or vulnerable residents, which calls help to the home at the touch of a button. Before the VAT change, the full service cost £30.10 a month, but now it is £29.49.

Not all chargeable council services are affected – libraries and parking are two services where prices will not change. However, where reductions are required, council staff are implementing the VAT reduction as quickly as possible. You should receive information from the service advising of any changes.

➔ **If you have any questions, please call 020 7527 2000.**

# PUBLIC NOTICES

## FEBRUARY 2009

### ROAD CLOSURES

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 Section 14(1) and 16A: Proposed and Made Notices We, the London Borough Of Islington, are giving notice that we intend to make the following orders to enable works and special events to be carried out on the highway.

### PROPOSED ROAD CLOSURES

**Bewdley Street**  
Victorian Water Mains Replacement  
**Effect:** prohibit vehicular

traffic on Bewdley Street at its junction with Thornhill Road; and prohibit vehicular traffic on Bewdley Street at its junction with Liverpool Road

**Diversion Route:** eastbound traffic via Thornhill Road, Barnsbury Park and Liverpool Road; and westbound traffic via Liverpool Road, Lofting Road and Thornhill Road  
**Dates:** from 2 February 2009 until 2 March 2009

### Blundell St. & Brandon Rd

Raised Table Works  
**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Blundell Street and Brandon Road  
**Diversion Route:** northbound and southbound

on York Way will be diverted onto Brewery Road; and; northbound and southbound traffic on Caledonian Road will be diverted onto Brewery

**Dates:** phase 1: 28 February 2009 until 1 March 2009 for Saturday and Sunday only; and phase 2: 7 March 2009 until 8 March 2009 for Saturday and Sunday only

### Caledonian Road

Carriageway Resurfacing  
**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Carnegie Street at its junction with Caledonian Road; and prohibit vehicular traffic on Thornhill Bridge Wharf at its junction with Caledonian Road  
**Diversion Route:** Carnegie

Street via Muriel Street, Wynford Street, Caledonian Road to Carnegie Street; and Thornhill Bridge Wharf no division, no through road

**Dates:** from 7.30am on 31 January 2009 until 4.00pm on 14 February 2009

### Caledonian Road

Carriageway Resurfacing  
**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on All Saints Street at its junction with Caledonian Road; and prohibit vehicular traffic on Wynford Street at its junction with Caledonian Road  
**Diversion Route:** All Saints Street eastbound via Killick Street, Caledonian Road to All Saints Street. Westbound via

Caledonian Road, Kings Cross Bridge, Grays Inn Road, York Way, Wharfdale Road, Killick Street to All Saints Street; and Wynford Street east and westbound vial Muriel Street, Carnegie Street, Caledonian Road to Wynford Street

**Dates:** at weekends only from 7.30am on 7 February 2009 until 4.00pm on 1 March 2009

### Caledonian Road

Carriageway Resurfacing  
**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Caledonian Road between its junction with Caledonia Street and its junction with Pentonville Road; and prohibit traffic on Omega Place at its junction with Caledonian Road

**Diversion Route:**

via local signage

**Dates:** 7 March 2009 until 29 March 2009**Caledonian Road**

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Keystone Crescent at its junction with Caledonian Road; suspend the one-way working on Keystone Crescent; prohibit vehicular traffic on Balfe Street at its junction with Caledonian Road; and; suspend the one-way working on Balfe Street; prohibit vehicular traffic on Caledonian Street at its junction with Caledonian Road; and suspend the one-way working in Caledonian Street**Diversion Route:**Keystone Crescent via Caledonian Road, Kings Cross Bridge, Grays Inn Road, York Way, Wharfdale Road, Caledonian Road to Keystone Crescent; and Balfe Street via Caledonian Road, King Cross Bridge, Grays Inn Road, York Way, Wharfdale Road to Balfe Street; and Caledonian Street via Caledonian Road, Kings Cross Bridge, Grays Inn Road, York Way to Caledonian Street  
**Dates:** at weekends only at 7.30am on 28 February 2009 until 4.00pm on 22 March 2009**Caledonian Road**

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on the Westside of Northdown Street at its junction with Caledonian Road; prohibit vehicular traffic on the east side of Northdown Street at its junction with Caledonian Road; and prohibit vehicular traffic on the north end of Keystone at its junction with Caledonian Road; and suspend the one-way working in Keystone Crescent**Diversion Route:**Northdown Street west side via Caledonian Road, Kings Cross Bridge, Grays Inn Road, York Way, Wharfdale Road, to Northdown Road; and Northdown Street east side via Caledonian Road, Pentonville Road to Northdown Street; and Keystone Crescent via Caledonian Road to Keystone Crescent  
**Dates:** at weekends only at 7.30am on 21 February 2009 until 4.00pm on 15 March 2009**Clerkenwell Road**

Gas Mains Replacement

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Clerkenwell Close at its junction with Bowling Green Lane**Diversion Route:**

northbound through traffic via Clerkenwell Green, Sekforde Street, St. John Street, Skinner Street and Corporation Row; southbound traffic via Bowling Green Lane, Farringdon Road, Farringdon Lane, Clerkenwell Green and Clerkenwell Close; and traffic in both directions will be controlled by temporary ATS

**Dates:** 31 January 2009 until 1 March 2009**Eagle Court**

Gas Main Renewal

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Eagle Court**Diversion Route:** via Britton Street and Albion Place**Dates:** 16 February 2009 until 2 March 2009**Hemingford Road**

Carriageway Works

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Hemingford Road at its junction with Richmond Avenue; prohibit vehicular traffic on Hemingford Road between its junction with Offord Road and Huntingdon Road; suspend the one-way working and point of "No Entry" on Belitha Villas at its junction with Thornhill Road**Diversion Route:** via Richmond Avenue, Thornhill Road and Offord Road**Dates:** from 14 February 2009 until 7 March 2009**Highbury Grange**

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Highbury Grange at its junction with Highbury Park  
**Diversion Route:** eastbound traffic via Highbury Park, Northholme Road, Aberdeen Road and Highbury Grange; and westbound traffic via Aberdeen Road, Northholme Road and Highbury Park**Dates:** 2 March 2009 until 9 March 2009**Highbury Grange**

Carriageway Works

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Highbury Grange at its junction with Aberdeen Road  
**Diversion Route:** eastbound traffic via Highbury Park, Highbury Grove, Grosvenor Avenue, Highbury New Park and

Balfour Road; and westbound traffic via Highbury New Park, Grosvenor Avenue, Highbury Grove and Highbury Park

**Dates:** 9 March 2009 until 16 March 2009**Kelross Road**

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Kelross Road at its junction with Highbury Park**Diversion Route:**

eastbound traffic via Highbury Park, Highbury Grove, Grosvenor Avenue, Highbury New Park and Balfour Road; and westbound traffic via Highbury New Park, Grosvenor Avenue, Highbury Grove, and Highbury Park

**Dates:** from 16 March 2009 until 23 March 2009**Sekforde Street**

Water Mains Repairs

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Sekforde Street outside Nos. 44 and 46 Sekforde Street; suspend the point of "No Entry" at Sekforde Street and Woodbridge Street; and suspend the one way working between Woodbridge Street and closure point for access and egress only  
**Diversion Route:** access and egress from Woodbridge Street for properties north of closure point**Dates:** phase 1: 31 January 2009 until 1 February 2009; and phase 2: 7 February 2009 until 8 February 2009**Sotheby Road**

Carriageway Resurfacing

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Sotheby Road at its junction with Highbury Park**Diversion Route:**

eastbound traffic via Highbury Park, Northholme Road, Aberdeen Road and Sotheby Road; and westbound traffic via Aberdeen Road, Northholme Road, and Highbury Park

**Dates:** 23 March 2009 until 30 March 2009**Turnmill Street**

New Electricity Mains

**Effect:** prohibit vehicular traffic on Turnmill Street between Thackrey Court and Benjamin Street; suspend the one way traffic working in Turnmill Street between Clerkenwell Road and Benjamin Street for access/egress only**Diversion Route:** via Clerkenwell Road, Britton**CONTACT ISLINGTON**Contact Islington is the council's telephone and customer service centre based on the ground floor of **222 Upper Street, N1**. Contact Islington can help you with a range of services including housing advice and environmental queries.**The service centre is open from 8am to 6pm Monday to Friday** (8.30am to 6pm on Wednesday only) for your face-to-face service needs. It also opens **every fourth Saturday of the month, from 9am to 1pm** (third Saturday if coinciding with Bank Holiday weekends). **Phonelines are open from 8am to 8pm Monday to Friday, and 9am to 6pm every Saturday.**Phone: **020 7527 2000**Email: **contact@islington.gov.uk**Minicom: **020 7527 1900**Fax: **020 7527 5001****Other useful contact numbers****HFI Direct (repairs)****0800 694 3344** (minicom 0800 073 0536)  
repairs@homesforislington.org.uk**Partners (street properties repairs)****0800 587 3595** (Out of hours **0800 195 5255**)  
allfirstpoint@downland.org.ukReport a Repair at [www.partnersislington.net](http://www.partnersislington.net)**Islington Police****020 7704 1212**Report non-emergencies at [www.online.police.uk](http://www.online.police.uk)**NHSDirect****0845 46 47**[www.nhsdirect.nhs.uk](http://www.nhsdirect.nhs.uk)**Local leisure centres****Archway Leisure Centre****020 7281 4105****Cally Pool****020 7278 1890****Finsbury Leisure Centre****020 7253 2346****Highbury Pool****020 7704 2312****Ironmonger Row Baths****020 7253 4011****Islington Tennis Centre****020 7700 1370****Sobell Leisure Centre****020 7609 2166**[www.aquaterra.org](http://www.aquaterra.org)**CONTACT YOUR LOCAL COUNCILLOR**

Islington has 48 councillors. Councillors make decisions on council policy and spending. They are the people who know what's going on in your local area, and are there for you to talk to about any problems you may have with council services. They can take up your case themselves or point you in the right direction to get more advice.

You can meet any of your ward councillors in person at one of their regular surgeries, write to them at the Town Hall, email or telephone them.

**For councillors' contact details, to find out when they hold surgeries, and for details of your local Member of Parliament, Member of European Parliament and Greater London Authority representative, please call 020 7527 2000 or visit [www.islington.gov.uk/councillors](http://www.islington.gov.uk/councillors)**

Street and Benjamin Street  
**Dates:** 21 February 2009  
until 1 March 2009

**CONFIRMED ROAD  
CLOSURES**

**Coombs Street**

Carriageway Resurfacing  
**Effect:** prohibit vehicular  
traffic on Coombs Street at its  
junction with City Garden Row  
**Diversion Route:** eastbound  
traffic via City Garden Row,  
Roccliffe Street and Graham  
Street; and westbound traffic  
via Graham Street, Roccliffe  
Street and City Garden Row  
**Dates:** 23 January 2009  
until 26 January 2009

**Pemberton Gardens**

Carriageway Resurfacing  
**Effect:** prohibit vehicular  
traffic on Pemberton Gardens;  
and prohibit vehicular traffic  
on Pemberton Terrace at  
its junction with Pemberton  
Gardens. However, access  
to premises on Pemberton  
Gardens and Pemberton  
Terrace will be maintained  
**Diversion Route:**  
westbound via St. Johns  
Grove, Holloway Road,  
Highgate Hill, Tollhouse Way,  
Archway Road, St. Johns Way,  
Junction Road to Pemberton  
Gardens; and eastbound  
traffic via Junction Road,  
Highgate Hill, Tollhouse Way,  
Archway Road, St Johns Way,  
Sandridge Street, Holloway  
Road, St Johns Grove to  
Pemberton Gardens  
**Dates:** 27 January 2009  
until 21 March 2009

**Penton Street**

Tree Maintenance  
**Effect:** prohibit vehicular  
traffic on Penton Street  
between its junction with  
White Lion Street and its  
junction with Pentonville Road  
**Diversion Route:** southbound  
traffic via Donegal Street and  
Rodney Street; and northbound  
via Pentonville Road, Cynthia  
Street and Donegal Street  
**Dates:** 2 February 2009  
until 4 February 2009

**Turle Road**

Carriageway Resurfacing  
**Effect:** prohibit vehicular  
traffic on Turle Road. However,  
access to premises on Turle  
Road will be maintained  
**Diversion Route:**  
access only during hours  
of resurfacing works

**Dates:** 31 January 2009  
until 1 February 2009

**Queen Margaret's Grove**

New Water Supply  
**Effect:** prohibit vehicular  
traffic on Queen Margaret's  
Grove at the side of  
47 Henry's Walk  
**Diversion Route:** eastbound  
traffic via Wolsey Road,  
Mildmay Road and King  
Henry's Walk; and  
westbound traffic via King  
Henry's Walk, Mildmay Grove  
North and Wolsey Road  
**Dates:** 26 January 2009  
until 29 January 2009

**St Johns Grove (Amendment  
to Previous Notice)**

New Water Supply  
**Effect:** prohibit vehicular  
traffic on St Johns Grove;  
and prohibit vehicular traffic  
on Pemberton Gardens at  
its junction with St Johns  
Grove. However, access to  
premises on St Johns Grove  
and Pemberton Gardens will be  
maintained  
**Diversion Route:**  
northbound via Holloway  
Road, Highgate Hill, Tollhouse  
Way, Archway Road, St Johns  
Way, Junction Road to St  
Johns Grove; and southbound  
via Junction Road, Highgate  
Hill, Tollhouse Way, Archway  
Road, St Johns Way,  
Sandridge Street, Holloway  
Road to St Johns Grove  
**Dates:** 20 January 2009  
until 7 March 2009

**Great Sutton Street**

Gas Mains Replacement  
**Effect:** prohibit vehicular  
traffic on Great Sutton Street  
between its junction with Berry  
Street and its junction with St.  
John Street; suspend "No Entry"  
at Berry Street at its junction  
with Great Sutton Street on the  
southern side of Great Sutton  
Street; and suspend "One  
Way" working in Berry Street  
between Clerkenwell Road and  
Great Sutton Street for access/  
egress only  
**Diversion Route:** via Goswell  
Road, Clerkenwell Road and  
St. John Street  
**Dates:** 23 February 2009  
until 20 March 2009

You can get more information  
about these proposed and made  
Orders from: Business Service,  
Public Realm, The Municipal  
Offices, 222 Upper Street,

London, N1 1YA or by phoning  
our Public Realm Division on  
extension 020 7527 2857

**Dated 28 January 2009**  
Bram Kainth, Service Director  
for Public Realm

**LONDON BOROUGH  
OF ISLINGTON**

CONSOLIDATION ORDER  
ARTICLE AMENDMENTS  
THE ISLINGTON  
(WAITING AND LOADING  
RESTRICTIONS)  
(AMENDMENT NO. 3)  
ORDER 2009  
THE ISLINGTON (PARKING  
PLACES) (VARIOUS ZONES)  
(AMENDMENT NO. 23)  
ORDER 2009  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN  
that the Council of the London  
Borough of Islington on 28  
January 2009 made the above  
mentioned Orders under  
Section 6, 45, 46, 49 and 124  
of and Part IV of Schedule 9  
to the Road Traffic Regulation  
Act 1984 as amended.  
The general effect of these  
Orders will be to: amend  
the exemptions to parking  
charges contained within all  
Controlled Parking Zone Traffic  
Management Orders and the  
Waiting and Loading Traffic  
Management Orders so that the  
vehicles of telecommunication  
and other such commercial  
companies would only be  
exempt from such charges  
where they were conducting  
work on or under the highway  
in connection with the laying,  
erection, alteration or repair  
or any underground pipe or  
cable, and not where duties are  
being carried out in properties  
adjacent to the highway; amend  
the exemptions to parking  
charges contained within  
all Controlled Parking Zone  
Traffic Management Orders to  
include vehicles when used in  
the service of a local authority  
in pursuance of statutory  
powers or duties provided  
that in all circumstances it is  
reasonably necessary in the  
exercise of such powers or the  
performance of such duties  
for the vehicle to wait in the  
place in which it is waiting; and  
remove from the definitions  
within all Controlled Parking  
Zone Traffic Management  
Orders and the Waiting and  
Loading Traffic Management  
Orders the current definition  
of "Match Days", and replace it

with the definition:  
"Match and Event Days"  
means any day during which  
there is a sporting event  
and/or any other event taking  
place at the Emirates Stadium  
which is open for attendance  
by the general public.  
The Orders, which will come  
into force on 30 January  
2009, and other documents  
giving more detailed particulars  
of the Orders are available for  
inspection during normal office  
hours until 11 March 2009 at  
the following location:  
Public Realm, Islington  
Borough Council, 222 Upper  
Street, London N1 1XR  
Further information may  
be obtained by telephoning  
Public Realm on extension  
020 7527 8009.

Any person who desires  
to question the validity of  
any of the Orders or of any  
provision contained therein  
on the grounds that it is not  
within the relevant powers of  
the Road Traffic Regulation  
Act 1984 or that any of the  
relevant requirements thereof  
or of any relevant regulations  
made thereunder has not been  
complied with in relation to the  
Orders may make application  
for the purpose to the High  
Court by 11 March 2009.

**Dated 28 January 2009**  
Bram Kainth, Assistant  
Director for Public Realm

**LONDON BOROUGH  
OF ISLINGTON**

GLADSMUIR ROAD REMOVAL  
FROM 20 MPH ZONE  
The Islington (Prescribed  
Routes) (No. 1) Traffic Order  
2009  
1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN  
that the Council of the  
London Borough of Islington  
on 28 January 2009 made  
the above mentioned Order  
under Section 6, 84 and Part  
IV of Schedule 9 to the Road  
Traffic Regulation Act 1984  
as amended by the Local  
Government Act 1985, and  
to remove road humps under  
Section 90 of the Highways  
Act 1980.  
2. The general effect of the  
above-mentioned Order will  
be to remove Gladsmuir Road  
from the currently existing  
Hillrise East 20 Mph Zone.  
3. The Order, which will come  
into force on 30 January  
2009, and other documents  
giving more detailed particulars

of the Order are available for  
inspection during normal office  
hours until 11 March 2009 at  
the following location:  
Public Realm, Islington  
Borough Council, 222 Upper  
Street, London N1 1XR.  
Further information may  
be obtained by telephoning  
Public Realm on extension  
020 7527 8009.

4. Any person who desires  
to question the validity of  
the Order or of any provision  
contained therein on the  
grounds that it is not within  
the relevant powers of the  
Road Traffic Regulation Act  
1984 or that any of the  
relevant requirements thereof  
or of any relevant regulations  
made thereunder has not been  
complied with in relation to the  
Order may make application  
for the purpose to the High  
Court by 11 March 2009.

**Dated 28 January 2009**  
Bram Kainth, Assistant  
Director for Public Realm

**LONDON BOROUGH  
OF ISLINGTON**

HIGHBURY HILL AND  
HIGHBURY CRESCENT  
PARKING AMENDMENTS  
The Islington (Parking Places)  
(Zone E) (No. 21) Order 2009  
The Islington (Parking Places)  
(Zone G) (No. 22) Order 2009  
The Islington (Waiting  
and Loading Restriction)  
(Amendment No. 2)  
Order 2009

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN  
that the Council of the London  
Borough of Islington on 28  
January 2009 made the above  
mentioned Orders under  
Sections 6, 32, 45, 46, 49 and  
124 of and Part IV of Schedule  
9 to the Road Traffic Regulation  
Act 1984 as amended by the  
Local Government Act 1985.  
2. The general effect of the  
above-mentioned Orders  
will be to: remove an existing  
residents' parking bay in  
Highbury Crescent, the north-  
west side between a point  
6.5 metres south-west of the  
south-western wall of No. 23  
Highbury Crescent and a point  
11.5 metres south-west of  
that wall; remove an existing  
traders pitch in Highbury Hill,  
the north-east side outside No.  
203 Highbury Hill, and replace  
it with "at any time" waiting  
restrictions; remove an existing  
traders pitch in Highbury Hill,  
the north east side outside No.

197 Highbury Hill, and replace it with residents' permit parking space; and remove existing "at any time" waiting restrictions in Highbury Hill, the south-west side outside Nos. 190 and 192 Highbury Hill, and replace these with residents' permit parking space. There would be a net gain of 2 residents' parking bays in the area as a result of these proposals.

3. The Orders, which will come into force on 30 January 2009, and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders are available for inspection during normal office hours until 11 March 2009 at the following location: Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR. Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on extension 020 7527 8009.

4. Any person who desires to question the validity of any of the Orders or of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the relevant powers of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or that any of the relevant requirements thereof or of any relevant regulations made thereunder has not been complied with in relation to the Orders may make application for the purpose to the High Court by 11 March 2009.

**Dated 28 January 2009**

Bram Kainth, Assistant Director for Public Realm

#### **LONDON BOROUGH OF ISLINGTON**

##### **RIVERSDALE ROAD WIDTH RESTRICTION**

The Islington (Prescribed Routes) (No. \*) Traffic Order 200\*

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington proposes to make the above mentioned Orders under Section 6 and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985. This proposal is made with the consent and agreement of the London Borough of Hackney.

2. The general effect of the above-mentioned Order would be to prohibit vehicles the overall width of which together with the load (if any) carried thereon exceeds 6 feet and 6

inches from using Riversdale Road as a through route, by the placing of obstructions in Riversdale Road between a point 16 metres west of the western kerb-line of Green Lanes and a point 21.5 metres west of that kerb-line.

3. Exemption has been provided in the Order: for vehicles being used for ambulance, fire brigade, police, refuse collection or street clearing purposes in certain circumstances; in respect of anything done: with the permission or at the direction of a police constable in uniform; or with the permission or at the direction of a civil enforcement officer in uniform.

4. A copy of the proposed Order, plans indicating details of the proposals, and the Council's Statement of Reasons for proposing to make the Orders, can be inspected during normal office hours until the end of a period of 6 weeks from the date on which the Orders are made or as the case may be, the Council decide not to make the Orders, at the following location: Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR. Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on extension 020 7527 8009.

5. Any person who wishes to object or to make other representations about any of the proposed Orders should send a statement in writing, specifying the grounds on which they are made to Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR (quoting reference TMO/Riversdale Road Width Restriction), within the period of twenty one days from the date on which this Notice is published.

**Dated 28 January 2009**

Bram Kainth, Assistant Director for Public Realm

#### **LONDON BOROUGH OF ISLINGTON**

**BLUDELL STREET AREA 20 MPH ZONE.** The Islington (Prescribed Routes) (No. 2) Traffic Order 2009

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington on 28 January 2009 made the above mentioned Order under Section

6 and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985. The measures are being introduced to reduce vehicle speeds and increase pedestrian safety around the Robert Blair School in Blundell Street.

2. The general effect of the above-mentioned Order will be to introduce a 20 Mph speed limit for all vehicles proceeding in the entire lengths of Blundell Street, Brandon Road, Bunning Way, Frederica Street and Sutterton Road.

3. The Order, which will come into force on 30 January 2009, and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Order are available for inspection during normal office hours until 11 March 2009 at the following location: Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR. Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on extension 020 7527 8009.

4. Any person who desires to question the validity of the Order or of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the relevant powers of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or that any of the relevant requirements thereof or of any relevant regulations made thereunder has not been complied with in relation to the Order may make application for the purpose to the High Court by 11 March 2009.

**Dated 28 January 2009**

Bram Kainth, Assistant Director for Public Realm

#### **LONDON BOROUGH OF ISLINGTON**

**TOLLINGTON WAY ZEBRA CROSSINGS AND PARKING AMENDMENTS**

The Islington (Parking Places) (Zone F) (No. \*) Order 200\* The Islington (Waiting and Loading Restriction)

(Amendment No. \*) Order 200\*

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington proposes to make the above mentioned Orders under Sections 6, 32, 45, 46, 49 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985, and

to introduce 2 zebra crossings under Sections 90 and 23 of the Highways Act 1980. The measures are being introduced to reduce vehicle speeds and increase pedestrian safety around Tollington Way near to its junction with Holloway Road.

2. The general effect of the above-mentioned Orders would be to: remove an existing pay and display parking place in Tollington Way, on the south-east side at its junction with Holloway Road; and remove shared use parking places and permit parking places in Tollington Way, on both sides from a point 6.5 metres north-east of a point opposite the party wall of Nos. 19 and 21 Tollington Way and a point 1.5 metres south-west of a point opposite the party wall of Nos. 39 and 41 Tollington Way.

Furthermore, the London Borough of Islington proposes to introduce: a zebra crossing (having a length which would occupy the full width of the carriageway, and having a width of 4.5 metres) in Tollington Way with its mid-point at a point 13.5 metres north-east of the north-eastern kerb-line of Holloway Road (there would also be associated with this zebra crossing 26.5 metres of zig zag markings on each side of Tollington Way denoting no waiting or loading at any time); and a zebra crossing (having a length which would occupy the full width of the carriageway, and having a width of 6 metres) in Tollington Way with its mid-point at a point 2 metres south-west of a point opposite the party wall of Nos. 31 and 33 Tollington Way (there would also be associated with this zebra crossing 34.5 metres of zig zag markings on each side of Tollington Way denoting no waiting or loading at any time)

3. A copy of the proposed Orders, plans indicating details of the proposals, and the Council's Statement of Reasons for proposing to make the Orders, can be inspected during normal office hours until the end of a period of 6 weeks from the date on which the Orders are made or as the case may be, the Council decide not to make the Orders, at the following location:

Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper

Street, London N1 1XR. Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on extension 020 7527 8009.

4. Any person who wishes to object or to make other representations about any of the proposed Orders should send a statement in writing, specifying the grounds on which they are made to Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR (quoting reference TMO/Tollington Way Zebra Crossings and Parking Amendments), within the period of twenty one days from the date on which this Notice is published.

**Dated 28 January 2009**

Bram Kainth, Assistant Director for Public Realm

#### **LONDON BOROUGH OF ISLINGTON**

**TOLPUDDLE STREET ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING PLACE** The Islington (Free Parking Places) (Electric Vehicle Charging Places) (No. 1) Order 2009

The Islington (Waiting and Loading Restriction) (Amendment No. 1) Order 2009

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington on 28 January 2009 made the above mentioned Order under Sections 6, 32, 45, 46, 49 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985.

2. The general effect of the above-mentioned Order will be to introduce a charging place space for the charging of 2 electric vehicles on Tolpuddle Street, the north-west side, from a point 8.5 metres north-east of the north-eastern boundary of Nos. 18 to 20 Tolpuddle Street, north-eastwards for a distance of 11 metres.

3. The Orders, which will come into force on 30 January 2009, and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders are available for inspection during normal office hours until 11 March 2009 at the following location: Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR. Further information may be obtained by telephoning

Public Realm on extension 020 7527 8009.

4. Any person who desires to question the validity of any of the Orders or of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the relevant powers of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or that any of the relevant requirements thereof or of any relevant regulations made thereunder has not been complied with in relation to the Orders may make application for the purpose to the High Court by 11 March 2009.

**Dated 28 January 2009**

Bram Kainth, Assistant Director for Public Realm

#### LONDON BOROUGH OF ISLINGTON

The Borough of Islington is seeking volunteers to serve on School Admission Appeal Panels. For more information please telephone: Peter Murphy on 0207 527 3250

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT

(Referendums) (Petitions and Directions) (England) Regulations 2000

This Act provides that a number of electors that is equal to 5% of the local government electors shown in the electoral register, may present a petition to the Proper Officer of the London Borough of Islington seeking a referendum on the question whether the Council should operate executive arrangements which involve an elected mayor.

The Proper Officer of the Council gives notice that the number that is equal to 5% of the number of local government electors shown in the December 2008 Register of Electors is 6,991. This number will have the effect for the purposes of determining the validity of any such petitions presented to the Proper Officer before 1 April 2010 at the address shown below.

The Proper Officer is required to publish this number annually once the Register of Electors is published. If the number of electors making up 5% has grown smaller, this smaller figure will be used in relation to any petition submitted from the date of publication until the end of March 2009, and then, whether or not it is smaller, will become the

relevant figure until the new figure is published in 2010.

Proper Officer  
London Borough Islington  
Town Hall, Upper Street  
London N1 2UD

**16 February 2009**

#### THE LONDON BOROUGH OF ISLINGTON

BARING STREET & SHEPPERTON ROAD ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 23 HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 – SECTION 90 PEDESTRIAN CROSSING, CYCLE STANDS AND ONE-WAY WORKING THE ISLINGTON (PRESCRIBED ROUTES) (NO.3) ORDER 2009  
1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington on 20 January 2009 made the above mentioned order, under Sections 90 of the Highways Act 1980 and Sections 6, 23 and 124 and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended.

3. The general effect of the Prescribed Routes Order will be to prohibit vehicles travelling in Shepperton Road, between Penally Place and Sherbourne Street, from travelling in any direction other than from south-east to north-west.

2. A pedestrian refuge will be constructed and a zebra crossing would be introduced and maintained in Baring Street. The centre of the crossing would be approximately 32 metres north-east of a point opposite the south-western wall of Nos. 42/43 Baring Street.

4. The zebra crossing and pedestrian refuge are designed to improve pedestrian and road safety by providing a safe crossing point for pedestrians and reducing vehicle speeds. The Prescribed Routes Order would not make any change to the way in which vehicle traffic is currently flowing in Shepperton Road.

5. As part of this scheme, cycle stands would be provided on the pavement at the junction of Baring Street and Shepperton Road.

6. The Order, which will come into force on 16 February 2009, and other documents giving more detailed particulars

of the Order are available for inspection during normal office hours until 3 March 2009 at the following location: Public Realm, The Municipal Offices, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1YA  
Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on extension 020 7527 2857.

Any person who desires to question the validity of (any of) the Order or of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the relevant powers of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or that any of the relevant requirements thereof or of any relevant regulations made thereunder has not been complied with in relation to the Orders may make application for the purpose to the High Court by 3 March 2009.

**Dated 20 January 2009**

Bram Kainth, Service Director for Public Realm

#### DAVENANT ROAD, KIVER ROAD & MARLBOROUGH ROAD

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACE) (ZONE TW) (NO. 24) ORDER 2009  
THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACE) (ZONE P) (NO. 25) ORDER 2009  
THE ISLINGTON (WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTION) (AMENDMENT NO. 4) ORDER 2009

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington on 28 January 2009 made the above Orders under Sections 6, 45, 46, 49 and 124 and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended and to install speed tables under Section 90 of the Highways Act 1980.

2. The general effect of the Parking Places Orders will be:

(a) in Davenant Road to:  
(i) remove 12.5 metres of shared-use parking space on the north-west side, opposite Nos. 5 to 9 Davenant Road;  
(ii) remove 9 metres of shared-use parking space on the south-east side, outside Nos. 7 and 9 Davenant Road;  
(iii) remove 13 metres of residents' parking space and provide 3 metres of shared-use parking space on the south-east side, outside Nos. 29 to 33 Davenant Road;

(b) in Kiver Road to:

(i) remove 9.5 metres of residents' parking space on the north-east side, outside Nos. 10 to 14 Kiver Road;  
(ii) remove 4.5 metres of residents' parking space on the south-west side, adjacent to No. 52 Davenant Road; and  
(c) in Marlborough Road to remove 5.5 metres of residents' parking space on the south-east side, outside Nos. 55 and 57 Marlborough Road.

3. The general effect of the Waiting and Loading Restriction Order will be to provide "at any time" waiting restrictions in the lengths of street referred to in the Schedule to this Notice.

4. The Orders, which will come into force on 30 January 2009, and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders are available for inspection during normal office hours until 11 March 2009 at the following location: Public Realm, PO BOX 3333, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1YA

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on 020 7527 2000.

5. Any person who desires to question the validity of any of the Orders or of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the relevant powers of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or that any of the relevant requirements thereof or of any relevant regulations made thereunder has not been complied with in relation to the Orders may make application for the purpose to the High Court by 11 March 2009.

**Dated 28 January 2009**

Bram Kainth, Assistant Director for Public Realm

Schedule (At any time waiting restrictions)

**Kiver Road:** the north-east side, between a point 3.5 metres north-west of the common boundary of Nos. 10 and 12 Kiver Road and a point 6 metres south-east of that common boundary; the south-west side, between a point 2 metres north-west of a point opposite the south-eastern wall of No. 52 Davenant Road and a point 0.5 metres south-east of a point opposite that wall.

**Davenant Road:** the north-west side, between a point 3 metres south-west of the

common boundary of Nos. 3 and 5 Davenant Road and a point 1 metre south-west of the common boundary of Nos. 9 and 11 Davenant Road; the north-west side, between a point 2 metres south-west of the common boundary of Nos. 29 and 31 Davenant Road and a point 2 metres north-east of the common boundary of Nos. 31 and 33 Davenant Road; the south-east side, between the common boundary of Nos. 5 and 7 Davenant Road and a point 1 metre south-west of the common boundary of Nos. 9 and 11 Davenant Road; the south-east side, between a point 2 metres south-west of the common boundary of Nos. 29 and 31 Davenant Road and a point 2 metres north-east of the common boundary of Nos. 31 and 33 Davenant Road.

**Marlborough Road:** the south-east side, between a point 6 metres north-east of the north-eastern kerb-line of Kiver Road and a point 8.5 metres north-east of the south-western boundary of No. 55 Marlborough Road.

#### THE LONDON BOROUGH OF ISLINGTON

OFFORD ROAD PARKING AMENDMENTS THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACE) (ZONE E) (NO. 26) ORDER 2009  
THE ISLINGTON (WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTION) (AMENDMENT NO. 5) ORDER 2009

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington on 28 January 2009 made the above-mentioned Orders under Sections 6, 45, 46, 49 and 124 and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended.

2. The general effect of the Parking Places Order will be to shorten a residents' parking place outside No. 140 Offord Road by two metres.

3. The general effect of the Waiting and Loading Restriction Order will be to provide "at any time" waiting restrictions in the lengths of street referred to in Schedule 1 to this Notice and provide "at any time" loading restrictions in the lengths of street referred to in Schedule 2 to this Notice.

4. The Orders, which will come into force on 30 January 2009, and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders are available for inspection during normal office hours until 11 March 2009 at the following location: Public Realm, PO BOX 3333, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1YA

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on 020 7527 8009.

5. Any person who desires to question the validity of any of the Orders or of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the relevant powers of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or that any of the relevant requirements thereof or of any relevant regulations made thereunder has not been complied with in relation to the Orders may make application for the purpose to the High Court by 11 March 2009.

#### **Dated 28 January 2009**

Bram Kainth, Assistant Director for Public Realm

#### **Schedule 1**

At any time waiting restrictions Thornhill Road, both sides, between a point 5 metres south-east of the south-eastern kerb-line of Offord Road and a point 5 metres south-east of a point opposite the north-western wall of No. 140 Offord Road.

Offord Road, the north-west side, between a point 2.5 metres south-west of the common boundary of Nos. 135 and 137 Offord Road and that common boundary.

Offord Road, the south-east side, between a point 2 metres north-east of a point opposite the party wall of Nos. 138 and 140 Offord Road and a point 2.5 metres south-west of a point opposite the north-eastern wall of No. 140 Offord Road.

Westbourne Road, the north-east side, between a point opposite the north-western wall of No. 135 Offord Road and the north-western kerb-line of Offord Road.

Westbourne Road, the south-west side, between a point opposite the south-eastern wall of No. 135 Offord Road and the north-western kerb-line of Offord Road.

#### **Schedule 2**

At any time loading restrictions

Thornhill Road, both sides, between the south-eastern kerb-line of Offord Road and a point 5 metres south-east of a point opposite the north-western wall of No. 140 Offord Road.

Offord Road, the north-west side, between a point 4 metres north-east of the north-eastern boundary of No. 121 Offord Road and the common boundary of Nos. 135 and 137 Offord Road.

Offord Road, the south-east side, between a point 2 metres north-east of a point opposite the party wall of Nos. 138 and 140 Offord Road and a point 2.5 metres south-west of the north-eastern boundary of Buckland House, Offord Road.

Westbourne Road, the north-east side, between a point opposite the north-western wall of No. 135 Offord Road and the north-western kerb-line of Offord Road.

Westbourne Road, the south-west side, between a point opposite the south-eastern wall of No. 135 Offord Road and the north-western kerb-line of Offord Road.

St. Clements Street, the north-east side, between a point 2 metres north-west of a point opposite the south-eastern wall of No. 125 Offord Road and the north-western kerb-line of Offord Road. St. Clements Street, the south-west side, between a point 2 metres north-west of a point opposite the south-eastern wall of No. 123 Offord Road and the north-western kerb-line of Offord Road.

#### **LONDON BOROUGH OF ISLINGTON**

CONSOLIDATION ORDER ARTICLE AMENDMENTS THE ISLINGTON (WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS) (AMENDMENT NO. 3) ORDER 2009

THE ISLINGTON (PARKING PLACES) (VARIOUS ZONES) (AMENDMENT NO. 23) ORDER 2009

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington on 28 January 2009 made the above mentioned Orders under Section 6, 45, 46, 49 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended.

The general effect of these

Orders will be to: amend the exemptions to parking charges contained within all Controlled Parking Zone Traffic Management Orders and the Waiting and Loading Traffic Management Orders so that the vehicles of telecommunication and other such commercial companies would only be exempt from such charges where they were conducting work on or under the highway in connection with the laying, erection, alteration or repair or any underground pipe or cable, and not where duties are being carried out in properties adjacent to the highway; amend the exemptions to parking charges contained within all Controlled Parking Zone Traffic Management Orders to include vehicles when used in the service of a local authority in pursuance of statutory powers or duties provided that in all circumstances it is reasonably necessary in the exercise of such powers or the performance of such duties for the vehicle to wait in the place in which it is waiting; and remove from the definitions within all Controlled Parking Zone Traffic Management Orders and the Waiting and Loading Traffic Management Orders the current definition of "Match Days", and replace it with the definition: "Match and Event Days" means any day during which there is a sporting event and/or any other event taking place at the Emirates Stadium which is open for attendance by the general public.

The Orders, which will come into force on 30 January 2009, and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders are available for inspection during normal office hours until 11 March 2009 at the following location: Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on extension 020 7527 8009. Any person who desires to question the validity of any of the Orders or of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the relevant powers of

the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or that any of the relevant requirements thereof or of any relevant regulations made thereunder has not been complied with in relation to the Orders may make application for the purpose to the High Court by 11 March 2009.

#### **Dated 28 January 2009**

Bram Kainth, Assistant Director for Public Realm

#### **LONDON BOROUGH OF ISLINGTON**

GLADSMUIR ROAD REMOVAL FROM 20 MPH ZONE The Islington (Prescribed Routes) (No. 1) Traffic Order 2009

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington on 28 January 2009 made the above mentioned Order under Section 6, 84 and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985, and to remove road humps under Section 90 of the Highways Act 1980.

2. The general effect of the above-mentioned Order will be to remove Gladsmuir Road from the currently existing Hillrise East 20 Mph Zone.

3. The Order, which will come into force on 30 January 2009, and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Order are available for inspection during normal office hours until 11 March 2009 at the following location: Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR.

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on extension 020 7527 8009.

4. Any person who desires to question the validity of the Order or of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the relevant powers of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or that any of the relevant requirements thereof or of any relevant regulations made thereunder has not been complied with in relation to the Order may make application for the purpose to the High Court by 11 March 2009.

#### **Dated 28 January 2009**

Bram Kainth, Assistant Director for Public Realm

#### **LONDON BOROUGH OF ISLINGTON**

HIGHBURY HILL AND Highbury Crescent PARKING AMENDMENTS The Islington (Parking Places) (Zone E) (No. 21) Order 2009 The Islington (Parking Places) (Zone G) (No. 22) Order 2009 The Islington (Waiting and Loading Restriction) (Amendment No. 2) Order 2009

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington on 28 January 2009 made the above mentioned Orders under Sections 6, 32, 45, 46, 49 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985.

2. The general effect of the above-mentioned Orders will be to: remove an existing residents' parking bay in Highbury Crescent, the north-west side between a point 6.5 metres south-west of the south-western wall of No. 23 Highbury Crescent and a point 11.5 metres south-west of that wall; remove an existing traders pitch in Highbury Hill, the north-east side outside No. 203 Highbury Hill, and replace it with "at any time" waiting restrictions; remove an existing traders pitch in Highbury Hill, the north-east side outside No. 197 Highbury Hill, and replace it with residents' permit parking space; and remove existing "at any time" waiting restrictions in Highbury Hill, the south-west side outside Nos. 190 and 192 Highbury Hill, and replace these with residents' permit parking space. There would be a net gain of 2 residents' parking bays in the area as a result of these proposals.

3. The Orders, which will come into force on 30 January 2009, and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders are available for inspection during normal office hours until 11 March 2009 at the following location: Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR.

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on extension 020 7527 8009.

4. Any person who desires to question the validity of

any of the Orders or of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the relevant powers of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or that any of the relevant requirements thereof or of any relevant regulations made thereunder has not been complied with in relation to the Orders may make application for the purpose to the High Court by 11 March 2009.

**Dated 28 January 2009**

Bram Kainth, Assistant Director for Public Realm

#### **LONDON BOROUGH OF ISLINGTON**

##### **RIVERSDALE ROAD WIDTH RESTRICTION**

The Islington (Prescribed Routes) (No. \*) Traffic Order 200\*

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington proposes to make the above mentioned Orders under Section 6 and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985.

This proposal is made with the consent and agreement of the London Borough of Hackney.

2. The general effect of the above-mentioned Order would be to prohibit vehicles the overall width of which together with the load (if any) carried thereon exceeds 6 feet and 6 inches from using Riversdale Road as a through route, by the placing of obstructions in Riversdale Road between a point 16 metres west of the western kerb-line of Green Lanes and a point 21.5 metres west of that kerb-line.

3. Exemption has been provided in the Order: for vehicles being used for ambulance, fire brigade, police, refuse collection or street clearing purposes in certain circumstances; in respect of anything done: with the permission or at the direction of a police constable in uniform; or with the permission or at the direction of a civil enforcement officer in uniform.

4. A copy of the proposed Order, plans indicating details of the proposals, and the Council's Statement of Reasons for proposing to make the Orders, can be inspected

during normal office hours until the end of a period of 6 weeks from the date on which the Orders are made or as the case may be, the Council decide not to make the Orders, at the following location:

Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR.

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on extension 020 7527 8009.

5. Any person who wishes to object or to make other representations about any of the proposed Orders should send a statement in writing, specifying the grounds on which they are made to Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR (quoting reference TMO/Riversdale Road Width Restriction), within the period of twenty one days from the date on which this Notice is published.

**Dated 28 January 2009**

Bram Kainth, Assistant Director for Public Realm

#### **LONDON BOROUGH OF ISLINGTON**

##### **BLUDELL STREET AREA 20 MPH ZONE**

The Islington (Prescribed Routes) (No. 2) Traffic Order 2009

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington on 28 January 2009 made the above mentioned Order under Section 6 and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985. The measures are being introduced to reduce vehicle speeds and increase pedestrian safety around the Robert Blair School in Blundell Street.

2. The general effect of the above-mentioned Order will be to introduce a 20 Mph speed limit for all vehicles proceeding in the entire lengths of Blundell Street, Brandon Road, Bunning Way, Frederica Street and Sutterton Road.

3. The Order, which will come into force on 30 January 2009, and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Order are available for inspection during normal office hours until 11 March 2009 at the following location:

Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR.

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on extension 020 7527 8009.

4. Any person who desires to question the validity of the Order or of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the relevant powers of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or that any of the relevant requirements thereof or of any relevant regulations made thereunder has not been complied with in relation to the Order may make application for the purpose to the High Court by 11 March 2009.

**Dated 28 January 2009**

Bram Kainth, Assistant Director for Public Realm

#### **LONDON BOROUGH OF ISLINGTON**

##### **TOLLINGTON WAY ZEBRA CROSSINGS AND PARKING AMENDMENTS**

The Islington (Parking Places) (Zone F) (No. \*) Order 200\*

The Islington (Waiting and Loading Restriction) (Amendment No. \*)

Order 200\*

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington proposes to make the above mentioned Orders under Sections 6, 32, 45, 46, 49 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985, and to introduce 2 zebra crossings under Sections 90 and 23 of the Highways Act 1980. The measures are being introduced to reduce vehicle speeds and increase pedestrian safety around Tollington Way near to its junction with Holloway Road.

2. The general effect of the above-mentioned Orders would be to: remove an existing pay and display parking place in Tollington Way, on the south-east side at its junction with Holloway Road; and remove shared use parking places and permit parking places in Tollington Way, on both sides from a point 6.5 metres north-east of a point opposite the party wall of Nos. 19 and 21 Tollington Way and a point

1.5 metres south-west of a point opposite the party wall of Nos. 39 and 41 Tollington Way. Furthermore, the London Borough of Islington proposes to introduce: a zebra crossing (having a length which would occupy the full width of the carriageway, and having a width of 4.5 metres) in Tollington Way with its mid-point at a point 13.5 metres north-east of the north-eastern kerb-line of Holloway Road (there would also be associated with this zebra crossing 26.5 metres of zig zag markings on each side of Tollington Way denoting no waiting or loading at any time); and a zebra crossing (having a length which would occupy the full width of the carriageway, and having a width of 6 metres) in Tollington Way with its mid-point at a point 2 metres south-west of a point opposite the party wall of Nos. 31 and 33 Tollington Way (there would also be associated with this zebra crossing 34.5 metres of zig zag markings on each side of Tollington Way denoting no waiting or loading at any time)

3. A copy of the proposed Orders, plans indicating details of the proposals, and the Council's Statement of Reasons for proposing to make the Orders, can be inspected during normal office hours until the end of a period of 6 weeks from the date on which the Orders are made or as the case may be, the Council decide not to make the Orders, at the following location:

Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR.

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on extension 020 7527 8009.

4. Any person who wishes to object or to make other representations about any of the proposed Orders should send a statement in writing, specifying the grounds on which they are made to Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR (quoting reference TMO/Tollington Way Zebra Crossings and Parking Amendments), within the period of twenty one days from the date on which this Notice is published.

**Dated 28 January 2009**

Bram Kainth, Assistant Director for Public Realm

#### **LONDON BOROUGH OF ISLINGTON**

##### **TOLPUDDLE STREET ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING PLACE**

The Islington (Free Parking Places) (Electric Vehicle Charging Places) (No. 1) Order 2009

The Islington (Waiting and Loading Restriction) (Amendment No. 1)

Order 2009

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington on 28 January 2009 made the above mentioned Order under Sections 6, 32, 45, 46, 49 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985.

2. The general effect of the above-mentioned Order will be to introduce a charging place space for the charging of 2 electric vehicles on Tolpuddle Street, the north-west side, from a point 8.5 metres north-east of the north-eastern boundary of Nos. 18 to 20 Tolpuddle Street, north-eastwards for a distance of 11 metres.

3. The Orders, which will come into force on 30 January 2009, and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders are available for inspection during normal office hours until 11 March 2009 at the following location:

Public Realm, Islington Borough Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR.

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Public Realm on extension 020 7527 8009.

4. Any person who desires to question the validity of any of the Orders or of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the relevant powers of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or that any of the relevant requirements thereof or of any relevant regulations made thereunder has not been complied with in relation to the Orders may make application for the purpose to the High Court by 11 March 2009.

**Dated 28 January 2009**

Bram Kainth, Assistant Director for Public Realm



# Arsenal matches at Emirates Stadium

As always, up to date Arsenal news and developments can be found on the club's official website [www.arsenal.com](http://www.arsenal.com).

Arsenal is also offering Islington residents a dedicated e-mail service to communicate fixture changes, road closures, events at Emirates and important tube/travel information. To register, send a blank email to [islingtonresidents@arsenal.co.uk](mailto:islingtonresidents@arsenal.co.uk) and you will immediately be added to the Club's Residents email list.

You can also find information on events at Emirates Stadium on the new Arsenal FC match day and event information line on **0844 931 22 11**. Calls cost 3p per minute from a landline. Mobile and other providers' charges may vary.

## Fixtures at Emirates Stadium during February at a glance

Tue Feb 3  
Possible FA Cup 4th round replay

Date TBC\* - 7.45pm  
**Cardiff City**  
\* subject to TV requirements

Tue Feb 10 - 7.45pm  
**Brazil v Italy**

Weekend of 13/16th February  
Possible FA Cup 5th round fixture

Sat Feb 21 - 3.00pm  
**Sunderland**

Tue Feb 24 - 7.45pm  
**AS Roma**

Sat Feb 28 - 3.00pm  
**Fulham**



Teenager Cancer Trust patients and ex-patients say a big thank you to Arsenal supporters for their support this season

**A**rsenal is delighted to have a regular spot in Islington Now to let residents know all about the Club's latest initiatives. This regular feature also keeps local residents informed of events and issues surrounding Arsenal and Emirates Stadium such as fixtures, road closures and transport updates.

This month we're taking a look at Arsenal's partnership with Teenage Cancer Trust, the club's designated Charity of the Season 2008/09.

### Arsenal Football Club's Dedicated Matchday for Teenage Cancer Trust Raises Over £200,000

Arsenal Football Club recently announced that supporters, staff and players of the Club raised £200,000 for Arsenal's Charity of the Season, Teenage Cancer Trust at the Gunners' 'Be a Gooner. Be a Giver.' dedicated matchday against Liverpool on Sunday 21st December.

£210,298 was raised on the day through various matchday activities including the players, directors and many Club staff donating a day's wages to Teenage Cancer Trust. The matchday also saw bucket collections, raffles and auctions taking place in various areas of the stadium and a donation of 50 pence from every match programme sold was contributed to the charity, which is dedicated to improving the lives of young people with cancer.

On announcing the money raised, Cesc Fabregas said: "The Club is very proud to announce this fantastic sum of money raised for Teenage Cancer Trust. On behalf of all those who made a contribution on and around the Liverpool matchday, we say a big thank you!"

To celebrate the Club's special matchday, nine Arsenal players participated in a promotional 90 second film which showed them doing various funny things for teenagers with cancer. This prompted supporters from around the world to follow their lead and donate to Teenage Cancer Trust.

The season-long 'Be a Gooner. Be a Giver.' initiative is well on course to

reach its £300,000 target, which will fund an Education Zone within Teenage Cancer Trust's brand new Day Care Centre due to open in 2012 at University College Hospital, London.

Simon Davies, Chief Executive of Teenage Cancer Trust said: "We are incredibly touched by the kindness and generosity of Arsenal's players and directors, and also the fans, all of whom have contributed to this phenomenal achievement. The atmosphere at the match was amazing; it felt as though the whole stadium was there to support Teenage Cancer Trust. When a group of our teenagers stepped out onto the pitch before kick-off to thank the supporters they received a standing ovation - something that they, and all of us at the charity, will never forget.

"This matchday and Arsenal's continued support throughout this season will make a huge difference to the many young cancer patients who will be treated at the new day care centre in London each year. We know that, for patients of this age, being able to stay in touch with friends and to continue with education while being treated is extremely important when it comes to psychological wellbeing and future choices."

Arsenal goalkeeper Manuel Almunia said: "Helping Teenage Cancer Trust this season has been a privilege for all the players. We have met many of the teenagers and they all have such remarkable spirit. Making the film was really great fun. It's rare that many members of the same team come together to make any kind of film and 'Do What I Say' really shows how I, and the others, are happy to support a charity such as Teenage Cancer Trust this season."

Arsenal is the first organisation to commit to funding part of Teenage Cancer Trust's unit in the Day Care Centre, which will be the first of its kind in Europe. The Club hopes that other organisations will follow their lead, helping the charity to raise a further £1.2 million to complete the development of their unit within



Robin van Persie visits Teenage Cancer Trust's unit at UCLH

the Centre. Once open, the unit will enable TCT to increase its support for teenagers and young adults with cancer in the London area and the south east.

The current total raised for Teenage Cancer Trust through the Arsenal partnership at the time of going to print is £243,347.04, and a dedicated website has been set up so supporters can continue to follow the news from the partnership and donate to the charity. To make a donation or to view the players' 90 second film, visit: [www.beagoonerbeagiver.org](http://www.beagoonerbeagiver.org) or for more information on Teenage Cancer Trust go to [www.teenagecancertrust.org](http://www.teenagecancertrust.org).

### About Teenage Cancer Trust

Each day in the UK, six teenagers will find out they have cancer - that is almost 2,000 new diagnoses every year. These young people often get a raw deal, receiving hospital treatment in inappropriate facilities catering for children or the elderly.

Teenage Cancer Trust understands that teenage cancer requires specialist care and knows that young people have a much better chance in their fight against cancer if they are treated by teenage cancers experts, in an environment tailored to their needs. So the charity is working every day to make that happen, building specialist units in NHS hospitals.

Teenage Cancer Trust units aren't like ordinary cancer wards. Everything about them has been designed to give teenagers the very best chance of a positive outcome. The charity estimates that, with the units they currently have around the UK, around half of teenagers diagnosed with cancer now have access to the dedicated, specialist support they provide. But Teenage Cancer Trust's aim is to build enough units so that, by 2012, every teenager will be treated on one.



Please note parking restrictions and road closures will be in place for ALL matchdays (see below):

Until 5.45pm:	No road closures	8pm to 9.15pm(during match):	Roads re-opened
5.45pm to 6.45pm:	Access permit holders only	9.15pm to 10.30pm:	No vehicle access
6.45pm to 8pm:	No vehicle access	After 10.30pm:	No road closures

# Come and celebrate LGBT History Month in Islington this February!

**An exciting and inspiring programme of events includes:**

- a launch event, with lively entertainment to kick off the month's celebrations
- enlightening heritage walks and exhibitions
- themed party nights
- vibrant art exhibitions
- educational book and poetry events
- fun-packed activities for schools and colleges!



**Pick up your free booklet or visit  
[www.islington.gov.uk/lgbthistory](http://www.islington.gov.uk/lgbthistory) for more information.**



**ISLINGTON**